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BIRTHS.

DUDGEON—March 26, 1925, at Glandore, Kingstown, County Dublin, the wife of Herbert Dudgeon, of a daughter.

MONAHAN—March 16, 1925, at Bridestream, Kilcock, to Mr and Mrs. P. Monahan, a daughter.

POWELL—March 1, 1925, at Cranbrook, British Columbia, to the wife of H. A. Powell, a son.

STEEN—March 17, 1925, to Dr. and Mrs. P. J. Steen, Ardee, a son.

STUART—February 23, 1925, at Maymyo, Burma, the wife of J. M. B. Stuart, F.W.D., of a daughter.

MARRIAGE.

WILLIAMS and WEBB—March 25, 1925, at Merrion Hall, Dublin, by Hugh Wallace, Esq., George Willis, son of Willis Creighton Williams, of Grosvenor square, Rathmines, to Eileen Elisabeth, daughter of the late Charles Webb, of Sandycove, and Mrs. Webb, St. Veda's, Dennybrook.

DEATHS.

ANNOUNCEMENTS received late for insertion in this column will be found on Page 6.

FARMER—March 26, 1925, at Breffny, 193 Strand road, Sandymount, suddenly, Edward Farmer, of Farmer Bros., Builders and Contractors, Nottingham street. Funeral private.

FREEMAN—March 24, 1925, at the Rectory, Collon, the Rev. Canon R. M. Pole Freeman, M.A., the beloved husband of Elizabeth Freeman, to the inexpressible grief of his wife and family, aged 86 years. Funeral at Collon to-day (Friday), 3 o'clock. Australian and New Zealand papers please copy.

GREAVES—On Wednesday, March 25, 1925, at Nedeen, Coleraine, Harriet E. Greaves, daughter of the late James Greaves, Coleraine. Funeral strictly private

KEARON—March 26, 1925, at her residence, 66 Clieve street, Grangetown, Cardiff, Mrs. Sarah Kearon (late of Fair Green, Arklow).

MULLEN—March 26, 1925, at his residence, 5 Convent avenue, Limerick. Funeral to-morrow (Saturday) morning, 10 o'clock, to St. Mary's Cathedral. No flowers, by request.

MULTY—March 25, 1925, at his residence, 65 West Gate, Drogheda, Patrick Multy, aged 71 years. R.I.P. Remains were removed to St. Peter's, West street, yesterday (Thursday) evening at 8 o'clock. Funeral to Tullyallen to-day (Friday) at 1 o'clock.

TAYLOR—March 25, 1925, at Thomas street, Waterford, James Taylor, late Missionary to E. and F. Sailor Society, Waterford. "With Christ, which is far better." Funeral to-day (Friday), at 3 o'clock, to the cemetery, Waterford.

THOMPSON—March 23, 1925, at his residence, Drumholm, Ballintra, County Donegal, Major William Dexter Freemas Thompson (late Inniskilling Fusiliers), eldest son of the late Major William Hamilton Thompson, 2nd Battalion East Lancashire Regiment.

THOMPSON—March 25, 1925, suddenly, William Henry Thompson, District Superintendent, Great Southern Railways, Cork. Remains leave Cork by 10.30 a.m. train for Limerick to-morrow (Saturday), 28th inst. Interment on arrival 2 p.m., same day.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.

Mrs. Musgrove and family wish to return sincere thanks to all kind friends who sent letters and messages of sympathy to them in their recent sad bereavement.

The husband and sons of the late **Mrs. Mary Price**, Mullingar, wish to express their heartfelt gratitude to the many kind friends who sympathised with them in their recent sad bereavement, and trust they will accept this acknowledgment.

Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Williams, Neath, S. Wales, and **Mrs. Hamilton**, late of Limerick, wish to thank all their friends who have sympathised with them in their bereavement, and hope they will accept this as an acknowledgment.

IN MEMORIAM.

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KING—To the beloved memory of my devoted husband, John A. King (late Phillsborough), who died March 27th, 1923. R.I.P. Worthy of loving memories. Masses at Corpus Christi Church, Whitehall; Pro-Cathedral; and Lacan this morning.

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5.30-10.30—From London.

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3.30-4.30—Orchestra. Dorothy Woodbridge (soprano), Catherine Sutherland (contralto). 5.0-5.30—Women. Miss Wilson (soprano). 5.30-6.00—Children. 7.0—Weather and News. 7.30—German Lecture. 8.0—Gertrude Johnson (soprano), Alice Vaughan (contralto), Sydney Coltham (tenor), Joseph Farrington (bass), Arnold Nickson (entertainer). 9.30—Weather and News. 10.0—Concert (continued). 10.30—Close.

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3.0-3.30—Educational. 3.45-5.0—Women. Gilbert Wright (clarinet), W. T. O'Brien (clarinet), Mary Lewis (harp), W. E. Gill (horn), Ethel Stride (soprano). 5.0-5.30—Children. 6.30-6.45—Farmers. 7.0—Weather and News. 7.30—Orchestra, Diana Webber (contralto), Juliette Folville (pianoforte), J. P. K. Groves. 9.30—Weather and News. 10.0—Concert (continued). 10.30—Close.

CARDIFF (5WA)—353 Metres.
2.0-3.30—Schools. 3.30-4.0—Station Trio. 4.0-4.45—Orchestra. 4.45-5.15—"AWAY." "Five O'Clocks." 5.15-6.15—Children. 7.0—Weather and News. 7.30—A Night of Adventure, Seymour Dowse (tenor), Station Orchestra. 9.30—Weather and News. 10.0—Dance Music. 10.30—Close.

MANCHESTER (2ZY)—378 Metres.
12.30-1.30—Organ. 3.0-3.30. 4.0-4.30—Concert. 3.30-4.0—Schools. 4.30-5.0—Women. (Incubation Clarke (soprano). 5.0-6.0—Children. 7.0—Weather and News. 7.30—Rose Myrtil (contralto), Les Thistlethwaite (baritone), Alfred Barker (solo violin), William Watson (entertainer), Black Dyke Band, Harmony Quartet Party. 9.30—Weather and News. Station Director's Talk. 10.15—William Watson (entertainer). 10.30—Close.

NEWCASTLE (5NO)—400 Metres.
3.30-4.0—Schools. 4.0-5.15—F. Harrington (baritone). Robert Mark (violoncello). 5.15-6.30—Children. 7.0—Weather and News. 7.30—Sophie Rowlands (soprano), Tom Kinniburgh (bass), Station Orchestra, the "5NO" Merry Orphans. 9.30—Weather and News. 10.0—Concert (continued). 10.30—Close.

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3.15-3.45—Schools. 4.0-5.0—Band. 5.30-6.30—Children. 7.0-7.30—From London. 7.30—"The Froics" Concert Party. 9.30-10.0—From London. 10.0-10.30—Music.

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FROM THE LEGAL DIARY.

LAW NOTICES—Friday, March 27, 1925.

COURT BIREITHEAMHNAIH UACHTARACH (the Supreme Court of Justice).—At 11 o'clock. For Judgment—O'Callaghan v. O'Sullivan. For Hearing. New Trial Motions. Rush v. Fraser, next hand.

COURT ACHOMHAIRC CHOIMHLIA (Court of Criminal Appeal).

AN TILEIR-BHREITHEAMH (Chief Justice). For to-morrow (Saturday), 28th March. Before the Chief Justice, in the Supreme Court, at 11 o'clock. In Lunacy. Motions.—Ex parte, Cockerane and Co.; 22nd Sec., O'Connell and Son; do., Cochrane and Co. Petitions—23rd Sec., Baker, Ringwood and Godden; do., Walker and Son. At Chambers.—Cunningham, infants; O'Sullivan, minors; Flood, a minor; Heirne, minors; Middleton, a minor; Finnan v. Hinds. This Day. In Lunacy. Before the Registrar, at 11.30 o'clock.—Settle report, 7; 8th Chief Justice's Chambers. Before the Chief Clerk, at 11.30 o'clock.—Prior, a minor; Connors, a minor; Morgan, minors; Calwell, a minor.

AN ARD-CHUIRT BHREITHEAMHNAIH (the High Court of Justice). In Court No. 1, at 11 o'clock. Motions.—O'Rourke v. Ready; Wallace Bros., Ltd., v. Skelly. At 11.30 o'clock.—Finlay v. Burton and Co.; Hughes v. Hughes.

ADMIRALTY.—In Court No. 1, at 11 o'clock. Ex parte Motions.—Summonses.—Patrick Farrell v. owners of ss. form Williams, Gordon v. owners of ss. Ardmore. In Court 2. At 11 o'clock. Exparte Motions.—Sagebiel-Asklund v. Forte. Attendance Order.—Asklund v. Forte.

PROBATE AND MATRIMONIAL.—In Court No. 2. (At conclusion of Exparte Motions, etc., hd.) Petitions. Exparte Motions.—In the goods of Hugh Cassidy, decd.; do., Patrick Dowd, decd.; do., Patrick Dowd, decd. Summonses.—Lynch v. O'Hara; O'Connor v. Curran. On Notice.—Purcell v. Hatton and anor. In the goods of Math. McCann, decd.; do., Peter Gorman, decd. Matrimonial. On Notice.—Cahill v. Cahill; Sullivan v. Sullivan. On Notice (At conclusion of the Exparte Motions hd.) Action.—Fitzsimons v. Seerr. Wednesday, 1st April. Action.—Lennon v. Harper.

BANKRUPTCY.—In Court No. 1, at 11 o'clock. Arrangements.—Scoddall, S. G. Rutherford, J. H. Crawford, W. G. Rutherford, and Scoddall. Adjdn. Morris, P. M. Seales, A. Dix and Co., P. M. Seales, Dawson (trustee), Collins and Son; do., Moran, Kennedy, P. H. Callan and Son, Thompson and Edwards; do., Hutton and Potts, Little and Callan; Hogan, 1st meeting comps., Little; O hAdhaill and Prout; Reddy and Rer, 1st public sitting, Dr. L. Scallan and Son; Hallett and Scoddall; O'Byrne, do., Fullerton and Doyle; Fagan, do., Collins and Son; Egan, 2nd meeting comps., O'Donnell, Dunne and Elkins; Dowling, final exam., Collins and Son; do., exam. witness, do.; arrangt., motion, Orpen and Sweeny, do., Collins and Son; Fitzpatrick, do., Potter, Morris and Co.; arrangt., do., P. Kennedy; Cortabella, motion, for dismissal, Farrell and Sweeny, do., Collins and Son; Sheridan, do., Scoddall; Dunleavy, do., Collins and Son; Farrell, do., O'Meara, Cussen and Kleras; arrangt., do., Collins and Son; do., do., Horne and Devine; do., do., Little, O hAdhaill and Prout; Nealley, do., O'Meara, Cussen and Kleras; motion and dividend, Case, Clay and Collins; Lonergan, do., T. F. Scoddall; arrangt., do., A. Cox and and dirs., W. F. Scoddall; arrangt., do., Collins and Son; do., audit mortgage, do., Collins and Son; do. audit mortgage, do., Collins and Son; do., exam. witness, Thompson and Edwards; Dalton, do., Lynch and Devine.

Chamber No. 1 (Room 38), at 11 o'clock.—Meadus v. Taylor, sign cert.; Lidd. v. Fallon, do.; Hibernian Bank v. Dunne, do.; Neale v. Murphy, do.; O. 5, 4th v. Sloan; Fee v. Meade; Callender v. Callender; Cooke v. Cooke; Birmingham v. Hoey; Orpen v. Orpen, do.; Hoey v. Hoey. Before the Assistant Chief Clerk, at 11.30 o'clock.—Cunningham v. Meehan.

Chamber No. 2 (Room 39), at 11 o'clock.—E. and C. McGlinn and Co., Ltd., v. Kelly and Son; Ballymacelligott Co-operative Agricultural Society, Ltd., sign cert.; Carter v. Station Gallagher v. Tooky; [undated] v. White; McKeown v. Dillon; P. Tarler, decd., Murphy v. Taylor; Dundon, decd., Riordan v. Dundon; Switzer v. Burrage; Goodall, decd., Aird v. Goodall; S. Cunningham, decd., Clinton v. Cunningham; J. O. Dwyer, decd., Dwyer.

CONSOLIDATED TAXING OFFICE.—Master Kilbride, K.C., at 11 o'clock.—Exparte Taxations.—Broad v. O'Callaghan, C. Reade and Son; Fitzgerald (Ex.), decd., J. O'Connor; Thomas Jackson, a bankrupt, Cassels and Kleogh; Jackson v. Jackson; Jackson, a bankrupt, Jackson. Master Deming, at 11 o'clock.—D'Arcy and Sentleff Land Act, Hinchy and Son; Irish Provident Assurance Co., R. D. Fottrell and Son; Irish Provident Assurance Co., Horan and Devine; O'Reilly v. Ennascor, Dr. J. Shannon and Co.; Manly v. Doughty, W. M. Moore and Sons; Healy v. Doughty, W. J. Chambers. Master Hanahoe, at 11 o'clock.—Orford v. O'Neill (S.C.), J. Robinson; a person of unsound mind (S.C.), W. J. Knight; a person of unsound mind (S.C.), A. Julian; Monaghan Trust, H. and J. Corrigan. Mr. Dickinson, Examiner, at 3.30 o'clock.—W. Grattan Bellew Master Jephson, K.C., at 11.30 o'clock.—Freshman, Ltd., v. O'Donoghue.

BANKRUPTCY.—Before the Chief Registrar, at 11 o'clock.—Hall, a bank. v. T. and T. Purdon; Donnelly, do., D. and T. Fitzgerald; arrangt., pr. dts., Fullerton and Doyle; Keon, do., O'Meara, Cussen and Kleras; Phelan, sch. as., Little, O hAdhaill and Prout; Austin, sch. as., Matheson, Ormsby and Prentice; Gallagher, sch. as., Matheson, Ormsby and Prentice; Gallagher, pr. dts. and sch. as., Fox and Co.

IRISH LAND COMMISSION.—At Examiner Chambers, Before Mr. Jeffrey White, at 11 o'clock.—Bowen, Mr., Jeffrey White, at 11 o'clock.—Bowen, Mr., Jeffrey White, at 11 o'clock.—Bowen, Mr.,

FINANCIAL NEWS AND NOTES

MARKETS AT A GLANCE.

THURSDAY NIGHT.

STOCKS AND SHARES —

London Markets quiet and featureless.

Dublin Market idle, with good tone.

National Loan, 95¼.

Birmingham Motor Shares easier.

Manchester Textiles lower.

New York Stock Market weak.

BANK OF ENGLAND RATE ..... 5 per cent.

SAME DAY LAST YEAR ..... 4 „

IRISH BANKS' RATE ..... 6 „

Do., DEPOSIT RATE ..... 2½ „

Do., OVER £500 ..... 3 „

LONDON DAY-TO-DAY LOANS ..... 3-4 „

Do., CALL MONEY ..... 3 „

IRISH STOCK EXCHANGES.

DUBLIN.

FUNDS FLUCTUATING. BANK STOCK BETTER. DUBLIN DISTILLERS WANTED. GREAT SOUTHERN RAILS IRREGULAR. TEXTILE, TOBACCO AND DUNLOPS DULL.

There were comparatively light dealings on 'Change yesterday, but, on the whole, quotations were well held. In addition to estimates of realisations in certain securities, Government National Loan was scarcely altered and British Funds also varied very little. Bank of Ireland Stock was scarce and closed bid for at an advance. Nationals were also firm. There was scarcely any offer for Dublin Distillers issues. Guinness Ord. were firm, but the Pref. were declined. Castlebellingham and Deba were wanted. Marconi New Shares were weaker. Home Rails were, on the whole, a trifle harder, but Great Southern issues fluctuated. Dublin United Tram Ord. maintained the previous day's advance. A few McBirney Shares were picked up at 5s. Textiles and Tobaccos were again dull on profit-taking pressure, but finally closed the turn harder. Millar and Beatty Pref. improved smartly. Hugh, Moore and Alexanders Ord. were well held. Dunlop Rubber Ord. lst. Dunlop Rubber Ord. closed only a few pence lower, despite the passing of the year's dividend on the Ord. Shares. The surplus profits were, however, very considerable, though the loss in the American Subsidiary was again heavy and disappointing.

Government National Loan repeated 95¾, but Compensation 5 p.c. Stock fell ¼ to 92⅝ for a small lot.

In British Funds, Consols fell ¼ to 56⅜, Funding Loan ¼ to 58¾ x.d., and Irish Land 2½ p.c. ¼ to 58¾. War Loan 3 p.c. rose ⅛ to 101⅛.

In Banks, Bank of Ireland Stock rose ½ to 225½, but Nationals fell ½ to 204, and Munster and Leinster repeated 83.

Breweries and Distilleries were pretty busy. Guinness Ord. repeated 85¾, but the Pref. fell ¼ to 114. Dublin Distillers Ord. opened 6d. lower at 49s., but later 50s. was paid. The Debs. rose 1 to 68. J. Power and Son Pref. were unaltered at 94½, and Distillers at 57s., 6d. Castlebellingham and Drogheda Debs. rose 1½ to 58 x.d.

British and Irish Steam Pref. fell 1½d. to 12s. 9d.

Marconi New 5s. paid fell 6d. to 10s. 3d. In Home Rails, Great Southern Ord. fell ¼ to 30, but later 30¼ was paid, and the Pref. closed a further ¼ lower at 40 to 42 nominally, but the City of Dublin Junction 4 p.c. Guaranteed recovered 2 to 48 effectually bid, and the Debs. rose ½ to 65½. Great Northern Ord. was wanted, and the Guaranteed repeated 67.

In Tramways, Dublin United Ord. show no change at 66.

Dunlop Rubber Ord. fell 3d. to 11s. 6d., 11s. 10½d., 11s. 9d., and Parent Trust Ord. 3d. to 20s. for an odd lot.

In Drapery Shares, McBirneys fell 1s. 9d. to 5s. for a broker lot, while Walpole Bros. Debs. rose 7½d. to 87s. 6d.

As regards Manufacturing Shares, Bleachers rose 5d. to 71s. 6d., but Bradford Dyers fell 6d. to 32s. 3d., Coats 3d. to 63s., and Cottons 3d. to 68s. 6d. Courtaulds were easier at 88s., 87s. 10½d. Hulls Ord. rose 6d. to 25s. 6d., and the Pref. closed 17s. 3d. to 18s. 3d., compared with 17s. the last business done level. Imperial Tobacco fell 4½d. to 83s. 4½d., and ditto of Canada repeated 22s. Lever Bros. 7 p.c. repeated 21s. 10½d., but the 8 p.c. Pref. fell 3d. to 21s. 3d. Millar and Beatty Pref. rose 4s. 1½d. to 54s. x.d.

In Trading, etc., Burke Debs. rose ¼ to 9¼, but Hugh Moore and Alexanders Ord. fell 3s., i.e., from 7l. 6d. to 6l. 4s. 6d., while Bagots Hutton Pref. repeated 45s. 6d., Dockrell Debs. 6, and Irish-American Oil Pref. 19s. 6d. British Controlled Oil Common rose 1s. 4½d. to 10s. 3d.

BUSINESS DONE AT ALL SESSIONS.

Transactions for cash marked c.

National Loan (95¾) 95¾ | Parent Ord. (20/3) 20/-
Compensation Stock (92⅝) 92⅝ | Pref. (12/-) 11/9
Canals (63½) 63½ | Power Pref. (17/6) 17/6
Do. (64½) 64½ | Do. Deb. (65) 65
5% War Loan (101⅛) 101⅛ | Brewery (6/9) 6/9
Funding Loan (58¾) 58¾ | Walpole Deb. (86½) 87/6
War Bonds 5% (99¼) 99¼ | Bleachers (71/6) 71/6
War Bonds 4½ (98¾) 98¾ | Brad. Dyers (31/9) 31/3
War Stocks 3½ (85) 85 | Cravenettes (2/-) 1/10½
War Loan (4½) 88¼ | Coats (63/3) 63/-
Bank of Ireland (224) 225½ | Cottons (68/3) 68/6
Nat. & Lon. (204) 204 | Courtaulds (87/6) 88/-
National (204) 204 | (87/10½)
Castlebellingham (58) 58 | Hulls (25/6) 25/6
Do. Pref. (95½) 95 | Imp. Tob. (83/9) 83/4
Distillers Ord. (57/6) 57/6 | Do. Canada (20/-) 20/-
Dublin Distillers (49/6) 49/- | Lever 7% Pref. (21/-) 21/-
Do. Deb. (65) 65 | Do. 8% Pref. (21/6) 21/3
Guinness (85½) 85½ | Millar & Beatty Pref. (54/6) 54/-
Do. Pref. (113½) 114 | Do. Deb. (97½) 97½
Power Pref. (17/6) 17/6 | Navvie Pref. (45/6) 45/6
B. & I. Steam (13/6) 13/6 | Burke Deb. (9) 9
Do. (13/6) 13/6 | Dockrell Deb. (68) 68
G.S. Ord. (30¼) 30 | Moore (115/6) Ord.
Do. Pref. (42) 40/6 | (7/6) 6/6
Do. Deb. Pref. (65) 65 | Irish-American Oil (46/-) 45/-
Do. Pref. (63½) 63½ | Controlled Oil Corp. (10/3) 10/3
G.N. Guar. (64) 64 | Imperial Oil (2/-) 2/-

(Last business done given in Investors').

IRISH BANKS' RATE.

Discount ..... 6 p.c. 5th March, 1925.
Deposit ..... 2½ p.c. 9th March, 1925.

STOCK EXCHANGE SETTLEMENTS.

Mining contango day ... Mar. 20 | April 20
General contango day ... Mar. 31 | April 21
Ticket day ..... April 17 | April 22
Account day ..... April 21 | April 23

BELFAST.

Belfast Exchange was fairly active yesterday. War Loan changed hands at 101¼ and 101⅜, 4 per cent. War Loan at 90¼ and Irish Land (1921) Stock at 57¼ for an odd lot. In Bank shares, business was again done in Northern Bank at ... shares at 34. Westminster Partly-paid at 13s. and Union of Australia shares at 16½. In Railway Stocks, Great Northern Ord. was done at yesterday's price, 80½. In Corporation Stocks, Belfast 5½ per cent. Stock changed hands at 103¾ and 6½ per cent. Mortgages at 102½. In Industrials, Belfast Ropeworks Ord. were dealt in at 28, Lever Bros. 7 per cent. Pref. at 22s. and 21s. 10½d., and 8 per cent. Pref. at 21s. 4½d. Barbours was also recorded in. British-American Tobacco Ord. at 11s. 6d., Ismaelis at 23s. 6d. and 23s. 7½d., Stranges Matches "B" shares at 10s., Dunlops at 11s. 9d., and a small lot at 11s. 6d., and Dunlop Rubber "C" Pref. at 22s.

PROVINCIAL EXCHANGES.

MANCHESTER.—Another quiet day in Textiles, and yarns were thinner. Shirtings 7¼-7½d. do. Prof. 7½d. Cotton 26-26½; do. Prof. 12/6-12/9. Combed Yarns 40/1/40s Mule Twist 17¼-17½d. Do. Deb. 12/6-12/9. Lancashire Cotton Corporation Ord. 1/16-1/15. Do. Pref. 13/4-13/6. Bleachers' Association Ord. 5/6-5/9. Do. Pref. 14/6-14/9. Fine Cotton Spinners' Ord. 1/16-1/15. Do. Pref. 13/4-13/6. Lancashire Cotton Corporation Ord. 1/16-1/15. Do. Pref. 13/4-13/6. Lancashire Cotton Corporation Ord. 1/16-1/15. Do. Pref. 13/4-13/6. Lancashire Cotton Corporation Ord. 1/16-1/15. Do. Pref. 13/4-13/6.

TRAFFICS.

Great Western—£98,000, net £35,000. London and N.E.—£1,000,000, net £300,000. Southern—£1,000,000, net £400,000. L.M.S.—£1,500,000, net £600,000. Scottish—£177,000, net £50,000. Underground—£115,000, net £40,000. Mid. Land—£1,000,000, net £400,000. Metropolitan—£115,000, net £40,000. Manchester Corporation Tramways (M.S.T.) Omnibus—12c. £4,000.

LONDON STOCKS QUIET

IMPROVEMENT IN FUNDS.

Business set up on a small scale in the London Stock markets yesterday, the approach of the carry-over and the end of the month having a restricting effect. No decided tendency was displayed in the markets as a whole, and price movements were small and irregular. A rather better tendency was shown in British Funds, and, with the exception of the 3½ p.c. Conversion Loan, which dropped back further, prices were the turn harder where altered. Among War Loans, the Firms improved to 101¼, or ¼ to ⅜ good, while others were firm, but without material alteration. Funding Loan were quoted set d.v. at 58¾. Victory Bonds moved up to 97½, or ¼ to the good. Among Conversions, the 3½ p.c. shed a further ¼ to 77, but the 4½ were held at 87. Among Colonial Government stocks, Queensland 5 p.c. (1930-1940) at ... were a point higher. Banks eased where any change was recorded. Among Telegraphs, Marconis were generally firm, the new Ord. moving up to 10s. 9d. Radio Corp., however, dropped back, the Ord. at 10s. and the Pref. at 9½, closing ¼ Breweries were steady without alteration. A fairly steady tendency was maintained in Steels, and at the finish prices were much the same as before. Textiles were dull to sales, Courtaulds being ⅜ easier at 88½ ex div., while Bradford Dyers at 32s. were ¼ below their overnight level. Colanese, however, were again a firm market, and a further small improvement was recorded. Dunlops eased to 11s. 7½d., there being a little selling following the publication of the report, but they rallied later to 11s. 9d., at which figure they closed showing a loss of 6d. on the day. Among Tobaccos, Carreras spurted to 5, or ¼ better, while others were repeated.

FOREIGN LOANS EASIER.

In Foreign Government stocks Construction Sets were easier. German Stevens lost ¼ to 102¾ and Greek 7½ to 81½, while Hungarian 7½ p.c. were ½ down at 95½. French Loans were firm, but unaltered. Brazil 8 p.c. (1909) shed a point to 45. Peruvian Corps., on the other hand, were the turn harder, the 1st rallying to 92, ½ better, and the Pref. to 54½, or ½ higher. Uruguay 5½ lost ½ to 64½.

RAILS DULL.

Home Rails were easier for choice. Great Westerns shed ¼ to 99¾, and Midland 4 p.c. Pref. ½ point to 77. Metropolitan were held, but Underground Ord. lost ½ to 7. Among Southern 4 p.c. Pref. Ord. were ½ down, North-Eastern Def. Ord., on the other hand, recovered to 36¼ ex div., or ¼ up.

Colonial and Foreign Rails were quiet. Grand Trunks Pacific 4 p.c. Debs. recovered to 80, or 1½ p.cents better than the previous figure; but Canadian Pacific dropped ½ point to 150. Buenos Ayres issues were steady and without alteration, as were Cordobas. Among Mexicans, the 8 p.c. Pref. lost a point to 23. San Paulo Ord. held their improvement to 177.

OIL SHARES QUIET.

The volume of transactions, both in the leaders and speculative favourites of the Oil Shares market yesterday was small, for while public business remained of negligible proportions, professional operators showed little disposition to enter upon new commitments, having regard to the approach of the carry-over. Among the recognised leaders, Shells and Royal Dutch were distinctly harder in the early hours, both shares being bid for at an advance on the overnight's levels, and although they were offered to a moderate extent in the last half-hour, they still showed improvements on balance. Anglo-Persian Ord. were a better market, an improvement being recorded in the shares, and the two Preference issues also strengthened. Bonuses made a firm start, but receded in the afternoon and finally registered a small loss. Anglo-Americans continued their upward course during the early hours, quite a good demand being experienced for the shares, but offering in the late dealings was responsible for a loss of 3s. 9d. on the day's close. Mexican Eagles moved within narrow limits, but maintained a steady tone. Business in Venezuelans was of a less active character than of late. Relieved of selling pressure, British Controlled took a turn for the better, and at one time had an appreciable gain to their credit, but offering towards the close caused the price to recede, nevertheless they still showed a small improvement on balance. In other directions, Lobitos, Anglo-Egyptian "B" and British Borneos weakened, but Anglo-Ecuadorians responded to a little support.

RUBBER SHARES FIRMER.

A slightly firmer tendency was manifest in the Rubber Shares Market yesterday, but business remained on an extremely small scale. Price changes were not numerous, but while a few issues finished the day at a slightly lower figure, the majority of alterations were in favour of holders. Sumatra Consolidated were a firm market, and at the close of the day they showed an improvement of 1s. 9d. to 20s. 3d. Tobrau gained 1s. to 42s. 6d., while Selabs at 37s. 9d., and Sungeis at 30s. were both 1s. 3d. to the good. The price of rubber rose 3/32d. per lb.

TEA SHARES NEGLECTED.

The amount of business put through in the Tea Shares Market yesterday was on an extremely small scale, and price movements were consequently few. After a fairly steady opening an irregular tendency set in, and at the finish price changes were easier on balance. Amalgamated Estates continued on the upward trend, and at the close a further rise of 2 was registered to 30s. Anglo-Ceylon was another firm spot, and here an increase of 10½d. was marked to 42s. Consolidated Tea and Lands, on the other hand, fell away to 33s., or ½ below the overnight figure. Borelli shed 1s. 6d. to 21s. 3d., and Jetings Valley 2s. to 35s. Dooars were heavy, the final price being no better than 68s. 3d., or 1s. 1½d. down on the day.

INDUSTRIALS (AFTER OFFICIAL HOURS).

Inactive conditions again ruled in the Miscellaneous and Industrial market yesterday, the paucity of trading being accentuated by end-account influences. As a result, movements were mostly unimportant, and generally proved advantageous to holders. Following the lead of the leaders, Dunlops opened on the basis of 11s. 5d. 11s. 9d., and after being offered at 11s. 6d. came into demand, and received to 12s. before the close, so that on balance only a very slight loss is seen. Lever issues were rather weak on vague talk of a Debenture issue for the redemption of the Niger rates. Oil Cakes remained off colour at 25s. 9d., and African and Eastern lost 5d. at 31s. 6d. British Portland Cements put on 9d. to 20s. 9d., and Associated gained the turn at 15s. 6d., while the Second Debs. rose 1 to 65½. Among Tobaccos, Carreras advanced to 5. or ½ higher; and the New also rose that much to 7½. Otherwise, except for a slight set-back in B.A.T.'s to 11s. 9d., prices finished unchanged. The Marconi group ruled steady, and Radio Corporation improved to 10⅜. There was little doing in Iron and Steels and Coal. Babcocks gave way to 54s. 6d., or 6d. down, and South Durhams lost that much at 47s. Shipping shares proved featureless. Banks exhibited dullness. Following the announcement of the changes in the Board, Colonials issues were wanted, the Ord. hardening to 8s., and the Pref. to 12s. 4d. Elsewhere among Textiles, Bleachers improved to 71s. 3d., though Courtaulds suffered from further realisation, falling 6d. to 87s., and Bradford Dyers gave way 1s. to 32s. 3d. Fine Spinners fell 6d. to 31s., while Calicos were 3d. to 5d. down. Eastern Telegraphs Pref. lost 4½d. at 10s. 7½d. Smaller setbacks occurred in Coats to 63s. 9d., in Sewing Cottons to 68s. 9d., in Listers to 89s. 9d., and in Amalgamated Cottons to 9s. 4½. Little of interest transpired in Breweries; Hoare Ord. lost ¼ at 11, and Ind Coope 6d. at 39s., while among Whisky shares Distillers fell 6d. to 57s.

DIVIDENDS AND REPORTS.

ABRAM RAILWAYS.—Interim dividend on the "A" shares, less tax.

AMALGAMATED RING (DE BAFATA).—Dividend of 2½ per share, less tax.

BRITISH GLUES AND CHEMICALS.—Holders of Cumulative Preference Shares are informed that it has been found necessary to postpone payment of the half-yearly dividend due on April 1st on the Preference shares and 7½ per cent. Cumulative Preference shares, which will be paid on April 15.

CANADA COMPANY.—Final dividend of 1/- per share, making 2/- for the year, less tax.

GOLCONDA SISAL RUBBER.—Dividend of 6 per cent. for the year 1924.

HOME AND COLONIAL STORES.—Dividends on the ordinary shares at the rate of 10 per cent. Cumulative Preference shares at the rate of 5 per cent. Dividends will be paid on April 1.

LAKE VIEW AND STAR.—Dividend of 1/6 per share (1s. free income tax), recommended that £100,000 of the general reserve be capitalised in Ord. shares, that 1s. 6d. per share given now have been paid on each share.

PITTSBURGH AND STEPHENS.—Dividend on the Ordinary shares at the rate of 10 per cent. per annum, less tax.

PUNDALOYA TEA OF CEYLON.—Final dividend of 25 per cent. on Ordinary, less tax.

LATEST CLOSING AND STREET PRICES.

CONSOLS, etc.

BANKS.

COLONIAL GOVERNMENT STOCKS.

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COLONIAL AND FOREIGN RAILS.

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MISCELLANEOUS INDUSTRIALS.

OILS.

RUBBERS.

TEAS.

INSURANCE SHARES.

BUSINESS DONE IN LONDON.—Associated Re-Insurance (10/- paid) 11/6; Caledonian (£1 paid), 37½; Employers' Liability, 19½; Fire, £11 9½; £6775; Commercial Union, 34½; do., do. 4 per Cent. Pref., 84½; Eagle, Star and British Dominions, 46½; Employers' Liability, 39/6; 7/-; General Accident, 5 p.c. Pref., 93½; Guardian, 71½; Licences and General, 50/-; Lisbon Assurance, 11/6; £12 2/-; North British, 39/6; do. 6 per cent. Pref., Stock Non-Cum., 84½; Northern, 16/-; Phœnix, 12/6; Prudential, 7/-; do. 5 per Cent. Pref., 93½; Re-Insurance, 38/6; 7/-; Royal Exchange, 709, 700; Scottish Union, 11, 10½; Sun, 8/-; Sun Insurance, 24½; Tariff Re-Insurance, 44/6; Union and Phœnix, 44/6.

BUSINESS DONE IN LIVERPOOL.—Atlas, 21½; Caledonian, 17½; Commercial Union, 34½; General Accident, 46½; Guardian, 71½; Imperial, 91½; London Assurance, 12/6; North British, 21½; Royal Insurance, 32½.

THE MONEY MARKET.

LOANS VERY STRINGENT.

FRENCH FRANCS FIRMER.

There were again no Treasury bill maturities yesterday, while the bank return shows that market resources are still dwindling, owing to revenue payments. Loans were in strong demand, some borrowers paying 5 per cent., and over, the usual charge, however, being 4½ to 4¾ per cent. The situation was relieved by purchases of May Treasuries by the Joint Stock Banks, and consequently the market escaped having to apply to the bank for further assistance yesterday. Weekly loans commanded up to 5 per cent. The discount market, however, was weak in tone, owing mainly to Continental buying of bills, the four three months' rate not being better than 4⅜ per cent. June Treasuries were done at 4⅜ per cent., and May bills at 4⅜ per cent.

Bank Rate Discount (changed March 5, 1925) 5%.

Gold was 1d. per oz. higher at 76s. 5d. Silver rose ¼d. per oz. to 31¾d. for spot, and 31⅛-⅛ for forward delivery.

In the Foreign Exchange markets yesterday business remained on a small scale and movements were restricted. The franc was firmer at 90.90-91.10, and Belgian francs improved to 93.80-93.90, but sterling on New York was not quite so good at 4.76⅝-4.76¾ dollars. Dutch florins rallied a little to 11.99-11.99½. In the Eastern markets Roumanian were a trade easier at 1s. 5d⅝-1s. 5½d., while Japanese yen remained at 1s. 8d⅛-1s. 8½d. The following were closing quotations:—

	March 26.	March 25.	March Rates.
Amsterdam	12.00	12.00⅛	12.00
Antwerp	93.50	93.50	93.50
Athens	3.57	3.57	3.57
Berlin	20.40	20.40	20.40
Brussels	93.50	93.50	93.50
Bucharest	1.41	1.41	1.41
Budapest	3.99	3.99	3.99
Christiania	18.15	18.15	18.15
Constantinople	1.61	1.61	1.61
Copenhagen	18.15	18.15	18.15
Danzig	25.20	25.20	25.20
Helsingfors	1.81	1.81	1.81
Italy	84.50	84.50	84.50
Madrid	27.75	27.75	27.75
Montreal	4.76⅝	4.76⅝	4.76⅝
New York	4.76⅝	4.76⅝	4.76⅝
Paris	90.90	91.10	90.90
Prague	14.12	14.12	14.12
Stockholm	25.20	25.20	25.20
Switzerland	25.20	25.20	25.20
Vienna	67.00	67.00	67.00

Bar Silver: March 25, 31¾d. per oz.

DUBLIN WOOL SALES.

There was a good attendance of buyers at the Dublin Wool Market yesterday (Mr. Messrs. Gaskin, Bond and Co.), and the offerings were very various in quality. Competition was very keen, and prices showed a depreciation of 2s. 6d. to 10s. per stone on the rates ruling at the last sales. The following figures will give a fair idea of prices realised:—

	Values.	Greasy.
Fine Hard Wools	21 to 22	14 to 15
Fine Cheviots	21 to 22	14 to 15
Fine Crossbreds	21 to 22	14 to 15
Inferior and Coarse	14 to 16	9 to 10

LONDON MINING MARKET WEAK.

DOWNWARD TREND EVERYWHERE.

Although a steady tendency was observable in the Gilt-edged and Investment departments of the House yesterday, speculative securities had a somewhat ragged appearance. This was mainly due to the approach of the week-end and the settlement, preliminary arrangements for the carry-over in Mines being in progress. As a matter of fact, the Mining departments, generally, after a quiet opening, gradually developed weakness, and the trend of values in practically all sections was downward. In the Kaffir department the recent activity in the Platinum descriptions showed distinct signs of slackening, and the demand from the Cape was on a smaller scale than hitherto. However, that centre sent over higher prices for most of the leading counters, but, as speculators here were evening up books and the public demand was exceptionally hard to find, these gains were practically all given away. The latest news from the T.C.L. was the most definite and satisfactory so far to hand, and these shares exceptionally hardened the turn, but Transvaal "Devels" were the subject of adverse rumours regarding the forthcoming report. The report of the manager and consulting engineer duly made its appearance after official hours, and, all things considered, it must be regarded as encouraging. Townships and Ottoman fell away, and Hendersons were at one time freely offered, but right at the close of the "street" dealings there was a disposition to bid for a few shares. There was not a great deal doing in the Gold Shares, but inquiries from Johannesburg for Brakpan lifted the price, and Randfontein and one or two of the lower-priced descriptions were inclined to harden, but most of the leaders were content to remain at former levels. In the Rhodesian department the feature was provided by Rezende, which, in response to a sudden demand, shot up smartly. Cam and Motor were also a better market, but Chartered were allowed to drift, and Selukwe and several of the smaller fry were dull and lower. Paris was still content to hold a watching brief, and Diamonds were still without support, so that De Beers weakened with Jagersfontein. Consolidated Diamonds were subjected to profit-taking and fell back sharply. The West African Diamonds were depressed. The price of tin rose £1 5s. to £247 7s. 6d. per ton, but the Share market remained indifferent. Among Coppers, Rio Tinto fluctuated considerably, but finished substantially below the overnight's level. Closing prices:—

SOUTH AFRICAN.

RHODESIAN.

TIN.

COPPER.

DIAMOND.

MISCELLANEOUS.

AUSTRALIAN.

WEST AFRICAN.

RUSSIAN.

DEALINGS IN LONDON MARKET.

The following dealings among active stocks and shares were marked in the London yesterday:—

War Loan—95¾, 7⅞, 6¾, 7⅛, 6⅞, 7, 6⅞, 7, 6⅞, 7

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SUDDEN DEATH ON RAILWAY PLATFORM.

HEART FAILURE CAUSED BY OVER-STRAIN.

Mr. William H. Thompson, District Superintendent of the Great Southern Railway, died suddenly yesterday morning at Glanmire Station, Cork. He reached the station at nine o'clock and boarded the Waterford train. A few minutes later he was seen to be ill and the Stationmaster was called and assisted him to leave the carriage. A moment later he collapsed and died in a short time.

At the inquest in the afternoon Dr. Edward Alison said that Mr. Thompson had hastened to the station on a bicycle to catch the train, and, in the witness's opinion, death was due to heart failure caused by over-strain in hurrying to the station.

The jury returned a verdict in accordance with the medical testimony.

Mr. Thompson had served at Tralee before being appointed to Cork in the year 1915.

FALL UNDER STEAM LORRY.

DUBLIN MAN'S DEATH.

A verdict of "accidental death" was recorded yesterday at an inquest at Steevens's Hospital, Dublin, into the death of Joseph Dunne (59), of 6 Reginald square, a driver in the employment of Messrs. Guinness and Company, who was killed on Wednesday last by a steam lorry owned by the firm.

The evidence showed that Dunne and another worker were seated at the back of a steam lorry, which was being driven from the Victoria quay towards one of the brewery gates, at a rate of three miles an hour. The lorry was just about to pull up, when Dunne jumped off. In doing so he slipped and fell under the lorry, the left hind wheel of which passed over his head, causing extensive fracture of the skull, and laceration of the brain, death resulting immediately. Neither the driver of the lorry nor the man who was steering it could see Dunne. The rules of the company forbade any worker alighting from a vehicle while it was in motion.

Mr. E. H. Sterling, on behalf of the company, expressed sympathy with the relatives of the deceased man.

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TREASON BILL DEBATE.

SUPPRESSION OF UNAUTHORISED FORCES.

DAIL APPROVES MINISTER'S PLAN

The Treason Bill passed the report stage yesterday in Dail Eireann, and now is ready for consideration by the Senate.

A new section under which membership of an unauthorised police force or military body will be an offence was inserted yesterday. The measure, however, is not so severe as the Ministry originally intended it to be.

Mr. Thomas Johnson suggested that membership of all secret societies should be made illegal, but was told that his proposal went beyond the scope of the bill.

WEXFORD SHIPPING RATES.

Mr. Corish asked the Minister for Industry and Commerce if he had received complaints from shipping interests in Wexford to the effect that the Great Southern Railway Co. were providing facilities to shippers at Rosslare Harbour by way of reduced rates, which had not been made available to them at Wexford, and if so whether he would have an inquiry made into the matter, with a view to having the grievance removed.

Mr. McGilligan said that one complaint had been received from Wexford shipping interests within the last few days, citing one instance which was said to constitute an undue preference. The matter was being carefully investigated.

Mr. Corish asked how soon the investigation would be completed, and when an answer might be expected.

Mr. McGilligan said that he could not say how long the investigation would take.

In answer to a question by Mr. Corish in reference to a complaint from the Wexford Harbour Commissioners as to the difficulties experienced by shippers at that port as the railway amalgamation scheme came into operation, Mr. McGilligan said that he had received a complaint that the closing of Wexford South Station for passenger traffic, and the running of passenger trains along the quays had occasioned inconvenience to shippers at the port. He was in communication with the railway company on the matter. He expected that an arrangement safeguarding the convenience of shippers, without prejudicing the necessary economies in the railway service, would be secured.

WOLFHILL COLLIERIES.

Mr. Blythe, in reply to a question by Mr. Davin, said that no re-payment had ever been made by the Wolfhill Colliery Company of any of the £50,000 which had been advanced to it by the Government. The security that was held for the outstanding money was the debentures charged on the company's property. No figures were available as to what amounts of the sums guaranteed were paid out for (1) salaries and wages, (2) machinery and stores, and (3) royalties.

According to documents available in his Department, it appeared that £19,346 was spent on the purchase and erection of machinery, and road-making in the mine from 1922 to 1924, apart from £15,000 approximately, spent on miners' huts and the manager's house.

During the same period the loss in working totalled £57,999. The average number of men employed was 170. In addition, £12,000 was advanced by the Commissioners of Public Works on a contract of £30,000, but only 7,000 tons of coal, worth £10,500, were supplied. The advance was cleared off, taking into account the freight charges. There was a sum of £10,000 lost in defalcations by employés of the company.

Mr. Davin—By the workers or the management?

Mr. Blythe—I do not think Labour by the workers; they had not the opportunity.

HOUSING.

In reply to a question by Mr. Johnson, Mr. Burke said that the total number of houses for which grants had been earmarked was—New houses, 2,929; reconstructed houses, 99. Total, 3,035.

FISHERIES BILL.

Mr. Duggan, for the Minister for Fisheries, introduced the Fisheries Bill, a measure to amend the Fisheries Acts, 1842 to 1909 and 1924, to make provision for the control of dealers in salmon and trout, and to provide for other matters relating to the preservation of the fisheries in the Saorstat.

The second stage was fixed for Thursday next.

TREASON BILL. INCITEMENT TO NEGLECT DUTY.

The Treasonable and Seditious Offences Bill came up on the Report stage. Nine amendments were tabled.

Section 3 makes it a felony, amongst other things, to incite any person in the Civil Service (other than a police force) "to refuse, neglect or omit to perform his duty or to commit any other act in dereliction of his duty."

Mr. Johnson moved to delete the words "or to commit any other act," etc.

Mr. O'Higgins accepted the amendment, and the section, as amended, was unanimously carried.

Mr. Duggan, on behalf of the Government, moved the following amendment—

Every person who takes part or assists in the formation, organisation or maintenance of any association or other body which purports to be a military or police force, and is not established and maintained as such by law, and who every person who is a member of any such association or body, shall be guilty of a misdemeanour, and on conviction thereof shall be liable to a fine not exceeding two hundred pounds, or, at the discretion of the Court, to penal servitude for any term not exceeding five years, or imprisonment with or without hard labour for any term not exceeding two years, or to both such fine and such penal servitude or imprisonment.

Mr. Johnson said that he wanted to know what the effect of the amendment would be. Would an organised body at a political meeting, the object of which was to keep order, be regarded as a military or police force? He supposed that under the section, if it should become law, a railway company would be guilty of an offence if it appointed a policeman.

Mr. Wilson and Mr. Baxter criticised the amendment and said that it would prevent farmers from taking steps to protect their property.

Mr. Lyons pointed out that the section would apply to detectives employed by large firms and merchants for the protection of their property.

THE STATE'S RIGHT.

Mr. O'Higgins said that every citizen had it in his power to protect his person and property. A man in defence of his house, for instance, might assault an intruder, and in the last resort might kill him. Action taken by individuals for defence of their property would not constitute "the prevention and maintenance of a police or military force."

If men were to go out openly in the country and parade, acknowledging no responsibility to the Government of the people, that would be a state of fear which the ordinary citizen would be entitled to be protected from. The Government wanted to make it clear to the citizens that this State stands by its own strength and not by the grace of any minority within its borders.

The amendment was carried.

SECRET SOCIETIES.

Section 7 makes it a misdemeanour liable to a penalty of penal servitude for any person to form, organise, promote, or maintain any secret society among members of the police or military forces.

Mr. Johnson moved amendments to make it a misdemeanour to attempt to form, organise, promote, or maintain any secret society. He said that the people generally were of the belief that the oaths or declarations taken by the members of secret societies were held by them in greater veneration and reverence than an oath of loyalty to the service of the State, or the ordinary obligations of citizens. It was a fair assumption that the fact of secrecy implied dark deeds, and, therefore, the general belief in the existence of such societies was in itself sufficient to damage the stability of the State very considerably and to shake confidence in the public administration. The Dail would not be going outside its functions if it declared all secret societies to be illegal, and if a plebiscite were taken the opinion of the country would be overwhelmingly in favour of such a declaration.

Mr. O'Higgins said that Deputy Johnson had made no case for his proposal. The bill before the House was a Treason Bill, and not mere social legislation. It imposed penalties on people attempting to form a secret society for the Army or in the police. Members or members of those two bodies were already debarred from membership of such societies. If the Deputy desired a general prohibition to include all citizens he could test the feeling of the House by means of a resolution or a private bill; making all secret societies illegal. But such did not come within the scope of a treason bill. The Deputy could prepare a private bill, possibly in collaboration with Deputy Esmonde. (Laughter.)

Mr. Davin then asked if the Minister was prepared, if such a resolution were brought in, to allow Government time for free discussion, and whether he would do so as soon as the Dail rose after Easter.

Mr. O'Higgins said that he could not dispose of the Government time.

The amendment was defeated by 36 votes to 18.

TEETH DRAWN.

On the general question that the Report Stage be passed,

Mr. Johnson said that the bill, as it now stood, was very different to its original form—many of its teeth had been drawn. It seemed to him that the Minister was aiming at the Bismarckian ideal that loyalty and good citizenship had nothing to do with protection by repressive legislation. It was very sorry to think that the Minister was acting as leader and spokesman of a body of opinion that was looking in that direction.

Mr. O'Higgins said that he was not a betting man, but he would wager that one thing which the Deputies who criticised this measure would not do when they came into office, and that was that they would not repeal the Act. They would use the Act and throw the responsibility for it upon the person who introduced it.

On a division, the bill was read for final consideration by a vote of 31 to 15.

DUBLIN MURDER CHARGE.

MOTOR MECHANIC ACQUITTED.

Ralph Laffan, a young motor mechanic, was found not guilty in the Central Criminal Court, Dublin, yesterday, before Mr. Justice Sullivan, of the murder of Ernest Khan, a civil servant, on November 14th, 1923, in Stamer street, Dublin, and was put back to answer other charges.

It appeared from the statement of Mr. Carrigan, K.C., that Khan, who was a Jew, lives in Lennox street, and on the night on which he was shot had been at a Jewish social club in Harrington street. Between 11 and 12 o'clock he left the club for his home, accompanied by David Millar and two other young men. They stood at the corner of Stamer street for a time, and a motor car passed them. Khan and Millar were walking towards their homes when two men halted them, and asked their names and their religion. They told them that they were Jews, and the men used an opprobrious epithet and ordered them home. They had gone a few yards only when shots were fired at them. Millar was shot in the shoulder and Khan was fatally wounded. Before hurrying away to a waiting motor car the men fired again at Millar, who had gone to the assistance of Khan. In December last Laffan was arrested, and was recognised by Millar as one of the men who had fired at Khan. Laffan challenged the identification, and Millar replied, "I have no doubt you are the man; for once does not constitute one crime that night." Laffan admitted that he was the driver of the motor car, and that the men who were in it were his brother and a man named Conron who were officers in the National Army. When they saw a group of men at the corner of Stamer street his brother and Conroy ordered him to go on, and as they were passing Conroy fired a shot. Afterwards Conroy told him to "drive like blazes." They refused to tell him what had happened. At Beggar's Bush he asked them again what had occurred, and Conroy replied, "We had a row with a couple of Jews."

When the jury returned a verdict of not guilty, Mr. Carrigan asked that Laffan be put back to answer other charges.

Poplar (London) electricity undertaking showed a profit at December 31 last of £20,032.

YESTERDAY'S CASES IN THE COURTS.

IRISH HUNTER STUD BOOK.

SOCIETY AND FORMER SECRETARY.

(BEFORE MR. JUSTICE MURNAGHAN.)

The case of Colonel Charles E. Graham, Chelle Glen, Sallins, Co. Kildare; Denis O'Regan, Thomas street, Dublin; and Michael Connolly, Flat House, Dunboyne; Dr. J. M. Day, Dublin; James T. Dixon, The King's House, Chapelizod; Captain W. H. Roche, Dundecry Park, Newcastle, W. J. Fennell, Burton House, Attyflin; R. H. Holmes, FitzWilliam place, Dublin; Major Vincent J. Kelly, "Montrose," Donnybrook, and Kenny, Mill House, Naas, against Harold E. Burgess, St. Clair's Villas, Bray, was mentioned. The plaintiffs, suing as the Executive Committee, on behalf of the members of the Irish Hunter Stud Book and Light Horse-Breeding Society, claimed that the defendant (Mr. Burgess) should deliver up the register, which contains the names of the members of the Society, the register of entries for the stud books of the Society, and all accounts, and other books and documents belonging to the Society or to the Committee. The plaintiffs further asked that an account should be taken, and for a declaration that the Society was entitled to the copyright of the books named, and restraining the defendant from publishing these and books or otherwise infringing the Society's copyright, and from collecting subscriptions or fees for the Society. Mr. Burgess, holding himself out as being the Secretary or agent of the Society.

Mr. Shannon, K.C., and Mr. Sewell (instructed by Messrs. Maxwell, Weadon and Co.) for the plaintiffs.

The defendant conducted his own case.

Mr. Shannon, in opening, said that the defendant was appointed Secretary to the Society, and continued in that position up to August, 1923. When the plaintiffs said that, owing to his refusal to perform his duties, he ceased to be Secretary, and ceased to be entitled to any wages. He had practically dismissed by the Council of the Society in September 21, 1923, but the dismissal was not conveyed to him until December 21, 1923. He had canvassed members for subscriptions to the stud book, and had claimed copyright.

The plaintiffs asked for an account of the amounts due to the defendant for fees. It was alleged that there was £104 due from March 24, 1923, to December 24, 1923; but, as far as the plaintiffs could make out, there would be £262 due up to August 24, 1925, when he refused to carry out his duties.

The plaintiffs, in August, 1923, when they found that relations were strained, appointed a sub-committee to go into the accounts. Mr. Burgess was asked to attend the sub-committee with the books, and the eventual result—On being pressed, he admitted that he had alleged Court fees as the "Complete Calendar of Dublin Directory," addressed to the Shelbourne Hotel, but at a later date, on being pressed by the plaintiffs' solicitors, he sent them further documents, but he never supplied the plaintiffs with accounts from December, 1922, to date.

The defendant, during the early terms from January, 1922, and December, 1922, did not publish the stud book for the current year until they got the list of them. Mr. Burgess had openly stated, not only in his defence, but in the correspondence, that he had the copyright of the book and had intended to publish it.

Mr. Cogan, giving evidence as to the establishment of the Society and the employment of the defendant, stated that the latter did not produce anything in the nature of a published book.

In cross-examination by the defendant, Mr. Cogan said he was not aware that the Irish Hunters' Stud Book had been published by him (defendant) in 1912.

Colonel Graham also gave evidence.

The Defendant (to witness)—How can you claim for your stud book to be original when mares and dam entered in it were previously entered in 1912 in the stud book published by me?

Colonel Graham said that the backbone of the stud book was that owners sent in the pedigrees of their mares, and the secretary had no right to put anything in that was not sent by the owner.

Mr. Fennell stated that defendant published at Boscombe, England, a stud book in which he took entries from Ireland, and it was from that book that he got entries which he offered at the original meeting, which the witness and Mr. Cogan refused to take. It may have been called "The Irish Hunters' Stud Book," but the witness could not see how it could possibly be.

Mr. Webster, the present honorary secretary of the Society, also gave evidence.

The Judge remarked, in the course of the hearing, that it did not appear that the defendant collected any subscriptions for the Society, and the plaintiffs did not make the case that he had not done his work very well while he acted.

Mr. Burgess, opening his defence, said that the first book that he published was "The Imperial Hunter Stud Book" in 1904. In 1912 he published "The Irish Hunter Stud Book" when he was living in Bray, where it was published. He never gave up the copyright.

The further hearing was adjourned until to-day.

THE ARNOTT ESTATE.

ARGUMENTS CONCLUDED.

(BEFORE THE CHIEF JUSTICE, MR. JUSTICE O'CONNOR AND MR. JUSTICE JOHNSTON.)

The appeals in the cases of Lady FitzGerald and Others, relating to the validity of the will of the late Sir John Arnott, Bart., of Dundrum, were resumed yesterday before the Court (sitting in banco).

The case for the appellants, for whom Mr. Jellett, K.C., and Mr. Dickie, K.C., with Mr. Dyhrst (instructed by Mr. Wm. Arnott, Clonskeagh) appeared, having concluded on Wednesday,

Mr. Brown, K.C., and Mr. Hill, K.C., for Sir Wilson, K.C., and Mr. Barrett (instructed by Messrs. Casey, Clay and Collins), appeared for Sir John Alexander Arnott, Bart., and Mrs. Arnott, respondents. Mr. Hill, in opening the case for the respondents, said that Mr. Justice Murnaghan opened the case on behalf of his clients, the respondents in the appeal, before going into the main portion of the case he commented on the question that had been discussed as to whether the respondents in the case could be entitled to be heard in support of the will, under the Land Purchase Acts, as petitioners, under the Land Purchase Acts, as petitioners, part-owners and other birds. We have people amongst us who have fallen into such a state of degradation, even though they wore the uniform of a Free State officer, that they regard human life as of as little value as the sport that dog finds in the fields. They had no material with their weights and no axiom for it, except this question for blood.

David Millar, in examination, said that he had no doubt that the prisoner was one of the men who shot them—except that his brother was the living image of him. "I have no doubt," he added, "that he is one of the men who questioned us that night."

Detective Sergeant Hughes gave evidence of a statement made by Laffan after his arrest, in which he admitted having driven the motor car with his brother and Conroy, who he picked up at the Theatre Royal. Laffan added that his brother had gone to Mexico.

THE DEFENCE.

For the defence, Mrs. Kathleen Laffan, the mother of the accused man, stated that he and his brother Frederick were very much alike. She had not heard from Frederick since last Christmas.

Colonel Charles Russell, who had been an officer in the British Army, and is now in the Free State Army, said that he knew Frederick Laffan and the accused, and they were very much alike.

The accused man, giving evidence, told how he picked up his brother, Commandant Conroy, and Colonel Slattery, at the Theatre Royal, and drove them to Wellington Barracks. After a time he drove his brother and Conroy towards Beggar's Bush Barracks. At Stamer street they ordered him to pull up, as they wanted to interrogate men who were at the corner, one of whom appeared to have a wife. They left the car, and he heard three or four shots. Then his brother and Conroy came rushing back, and he heard more shots. Conroy told him to "drive like blazes." They refused to tell him what had happened. At Beggar's Bush he asked them again what had occurred, and Conroy replied, "We had a row with a couple of Jews."

When the jury returned a verdict of not guilty, Mr. Carrigan asked that Laffan be put back to answer other charges.

"FOOD AND DRINK FOR A WAKE."

FOUR DOZEN OF WHISKEY IN DISPUTE.

(BEFORE MR. JUSTICE MURNAGHAN.)

A motion to remit was made in the action brought by John Tarrant, shopkeeper, Kanturk, against Eugene Daly, farmer, Ballyphillip, Co. Cork, to recover a sum of £57 1s. which was due by the defendant for goods supplied (food and drink) to him as the executor of Mrs. Margaret Lynch, of Kilbrin, who died on the 30th December, 1923. Mrs. Lynch was an extensive farmer and shopkeeper, who had living with her a niece, named Daisy Guerin. The old lady was related to the plaintiff. On the day of her death Miss Guerin came to the plaintiff's shop, to get "the necessary food and drink for the 'wake' and funeral."

The plaintiff applied for final judgment, and the defendant asked to have the case remitted to the Circuit Court at Kanturk. The plaintiff, in an affidavit, said that when he took the order from Miss Guerin he commented on the fact that it was chiefly whiskey. The goods included four dozen bottles of whiskey, the price of which was £37 4s.

The defendant, in an affidavit, admitted that he had ordered bread and hams for the "wake" to the amount of £19 17s. He had not ordered the whiskey, and had not authorised anyone else to order it.

The Judge gave judgment for the plaintiff for £19 17s., and made an order transferring the balance of the claim for trial to the Circuit Court at Kanturk, the costs of this motion to follow the result of the trial in the Circuit Court below.

Mr. G. A. Mooney (instructed by Mr. J. Guiney) appeared for the plaintiff; Mr. M. Bigsby (instructed by Messrs. H. E. Barry and Co.) was for the defendant.

ROYAL BANK AND MOTOR HIRAGE COMPANY.

Mr. Justice Murnaghan delivered his reserved judgment in favour of the Royal Bank in the matter of the Compensation Acts and Motor Hirage and Sales Co., Ltd., with respect to objections of the official liquidator (Mr. David Telford), which had been adjourned into Court on memorandum for hearing. The objections related to the claim made by the Royal Bank in the liquidation of the Motor Hirage and Sales Co., Ltd., Dublin.

The bank's claim included a sum of £20,854, alleged to be due on account and a sum of £20,209, said to be due on another account. The case made by the bank in connexion with respect to the first-mentioned sum of £20,854 was that it should be reduced by £13,202, being the amount by which the aggregate of the sums of £4,652 and £8,550 paid into that account by Thompson's Motor Car Sales, Ltd., exceeded the same paid by Thompson's Motor Car, Ltd., out of the same account increased by the liabilities of the Motor Hirage and Sales Company, Ltd.

This realisation, it was alleged, took place under an agreement dated 16th November, 1921, for the purchase of the Motor Hirage and Sales Company, Ltd., by Thompson's Motor Car Company, Ltd., in consideration of shares in the latter company. The agreement was subsequently rescinded by an order made by the Master of the Rolls on the 6th March, 1923, on the occasion of the winding-up of Thompson's Motor Car Company, Ltd. The Royal Bank, it appeared, was the banker of both companies.

The objection to the second sum, of £13,202, was based on the contention that what the reference to this document made by the bank they did not create any debt on the part of the company, but were made solely on the security of certain cars purchased with the moneys, and kept, pending sale, in the name of the bank.

Mr. Justice Murnaghan, having reviewed the facts in detail in his reserved judgment, held, as regards the first objection, that the official liquidator was not entitled to deduct from the bank's claim of £20,854 any part of the said sum of £13,202. His lordship was of opinion that the property which was realised by Thompson's Motor Car Company, Ltd., was in their hands as purchasers, and not as trustees. He therefore held that the bank were under no obligation to investigate the sources of the several payments which Thompsons Ltd. were making into their account with the bank.

With regard to the second matter raised, Mr. Justice Murnaghan held that the bank were entitled to the whole of their claim, £13,202. This money, he pointed out, had been advanced on the terms specified in a certain letter mentioned in the case. The arrangement clearly indicated a loan with a security of a specific character.

With reference to the third matter raised by the liquidator, his lordship held that the balance of £1,652 claimed by the bank was in fact due to them, but the bank admitted that there were certain moneys to the credit of Thompsons, Ltd., in one of the accounts of that company to the bank, which might be available in reduction of this claim, with the consent of the liquidator in Thompsons, Ltd. His lordship directed that the official liquidator should pay the Royal Bank their costs of the memorandum and the hearing of the case, the liquidator taking credit for such payments in his accounts, together with his own costs.

Mr. Jellett, K.C., and Mr. Dickie, K.C., and Mr. James Mealy (instructed by Mr. W. J. M. Coulter) were for the official liquidator, in support of the objections; and Mr. S. L. Brown, K.C., Mr. Leonard, K.C., and Mr. Charles Murphy (instructed by Messrs. Orpen and Sweeney) for the Royal Bank.

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WOLFHILL COLLIERIES.

In a report of a law case in our issue of Wednesday concerning the Wolfhill Collieries it was stated these collieries were situated near Castlecomer Co. Kilkenny. We are asked to state that this is incorrect. The collieries are in Queen's County, and have no connection with the Castlecomer Collieries.

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CONTRACTS.

IRISH LAND (PROVISION FOR SAILORS AND SOLDIERS) ACT, 1919.

TENDERS FOR REPAIRS OF COTTAGES.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

Tenders are invited for Repairs to Cottages in Sligo Rural District, Scheme No. 9, in accordance with plan and specification prepared by the Engineer, Sailors' and Soldiers' Department, Colonial Office (Irish Branch), 30 Lower Fitzwilliam street, Dublin. Tender forms, plan, specification and terms of Contract can be obtained from the Chief Clerk of the above-named Department on payment of £1 1s. 0d., which will be returned to Contractors who submit a bona fide Tender.

No Tender will be considered unless on the Official Form. The Department shall have power to accept any Tender or portion thereof, and shall not be bound to accept the lowest or any Tender. Sealed Tender (envelopes to be endorsed on the outside "Tender") with detailed estimates to be sent to the Chief Clerk of the Department not later than 12 o'clock noon on 21st April, 1925.

By Order,
R. E. BECKERSON,
Chief Clerk.

25/3/1925.

IRISH LAND (PROVISION FOR SAILORS AND SOLDIERS) ACT, 1919.

TENDERS FOR REPAIRS TO COTTAGE.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

Tenders are invited for Repairs to a Cottage under Sligo Rural District, Scheme No. 29, in accordance with plan and specification prepared by the Engineer, Sailors' and Soldiers' Department, Colonial Office (Irish Branch), 30 Lower Fitzwilliam street, Dublin. Tender forms, plan, specification and terms of Contract can be obtained from the Chief Clerk of the above-named Department on payment of £1 1s. 0d., which will be returned to Contractors who submit a bona fide Tender.

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Sealed Tender (envelopes to be endorsed on the outside "Tender") with detailed estimates to be sent to the Chief Clerk of the Department not later than 12 o'clock noon on Wednesday, the 22nd April, 1925.

By Order,
R. E. BECKERSON,
Chief Clerk.

25th March, 1925.

SOUTH DUBLIN RURAL DISTRICT.

TO CONTRACTORS.

The Rural Council will meet on Tuesday, 31st day of March, 1925, at 5 p.m., to consider Tenders for Street Watering in parts of Terenure and Rathfarnham Electoral Divisions. Specifications may be seen at the Council's Offices.

Sealed and endorsed Tenders, addressed to the Presiding Chairman, must be lodged with the undersigned before 4 p.m. on the day above-mentioned.

The Rural District Council does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any Tender.

By Order,
GEORGE GALLAGHER,
Clerk of the Council.

Offices—1 James's street, Dublin,
25th March, 1925.

TO BUILDERS & CONTRACTORS.

TENDERS are invited from competent Builders for the erection of New National Schools at Blackrock, Co. Dublin, for Very Rev. John Canon Waters, P.P.

Plans, etc., have been prepared by John J. Robinson, Esq., F.R.I.A.I., Architect, 8 Merrion square, Dublin, and copies of same may be inspected at the Architect's Office during office hours.

Bills of Quantities have been prepared by Mr. A. Edward Smith, F.S.I., Quantity Surveyor, 6 St. Andrew street, Dublin, and copies of same, with Form of Tenders, may be obtained from the Surveyor on paying a deposit of £2 2s. Od., which will be refunded on receipt of a bona fide Tender.

The lowest or any Tender will not necessarily be accepted.

ST. PATRICK'S HOSPITAL, DUBLIN.

In addition to the Main Hospital in James's street, the Governors have Branch Establishments as follows:—Edmondsbury Lodge, standing in a Demesne of 700 acres, and provided with every facility for the Curative Treatment of Mental Cases.

The Mansion at St. Edmondsbury has been adapted for the treatment of Ladies and a Villa specially built to accommodate a limited number of Gentlemen.

Urgent Cases can be admitted to the Hospital on application to the Medical Superintendent.

For further particulars, Forms, etc., apply to THE REGISTRAR, St. Patrick's Hospital, James's street, Dublin.

CROSS WORD PUZZLE and Names of Prize Winners in the "WEEKLY IRISH TIMES" To-day.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

The following is the order of Advertisements in to-day's Irish Times:—

First Page.	Public Notices.
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PUBLIC AMUSEMENTS.

THEATRE ROYAL.
6.45 ..... TWICE NIGHTLY 9.0
WILKIE BARD,
In His Latest Song,
"THE TURKISH BATHMAN."
YOST AND CLADY,
LUCAN AND McSHANE, SCOTT GIBSON,
PAUL STEPHENS, MAY STEVENS,
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DUN LAOGHAIRE. 3.30 to 10.15.
"IT IS THE LAW."
A Tremendously Gripping Screen Drama.
At 3.45, 6.15 and 8.50, Jack Dempsey, Felix, etc.
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LA SCALA THEATRE.
TO-DAY—3 TO 10.30 ..... CONTINUOUS.
FLORA LA BRETON,
HOLMES HERBERT,
in
"I WILL REPAY."
From "THE SCARLET PIMPERNEL."
by BARONESS ORCZY.
SHOWING at 4.30, 6.40 and 9.10.

LA SCALA THEATRE.
WHY GO TO LIVERPOOL?!
SPECIAL PICTURES OF THE
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Will be Shown Exclusively at
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Commencing
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PUBLIC NOTICES.

ST. PHILIP'S CHURCH, MILLTOWN.

THE "CRUCIFIXION"
(STAINER).
Will be Sung on
NEXT TUESDAY EVENING, 31st inst., at 8 o'clock,
Soloists—Mr. OTTWELL CAMPBELL (Tenor) and Rev. W. N. HARVEY (Bass).
At the Organ—Mr. W. D. STEVENSON.
Collection for Church Expenses.

BOARD OF GUARDIANS, CONDAE NA GALLIMHE.
ORGANIST AND DISPENSARIES COMMITTEE.
DEBTS DUE.

All claims against the Committee for salaries, rents, goods supplied to the Central Hospital, or Dispensaries, work done, etc., in respect of the period ending 31st March, 1925, should be lodged with the Secretary not later than Friday, 3rd April, 1925, otherwise the Committee may decline to accept responsibility.

By Order,
J. C. O'GALLCOBAIR, Registrar,
Boardroom, Central Hospital, Galway.
March 24th, 1925.

GOVERNMENT NOTICES.

MINISTRY OF DEFENCE.
ARMY FINANCE OFFICE.

TRANSFER FROM COLLEGE OF SCIENCE TO GRIFFITH BARRACKS.

The Army Finance Office has been transferred to Griffith Barracks, South Circular road. All communications, etc., formerly sent to the College of Science should now be sent to that address.
29/3, 6554. W.H.Co.

LEGAL NOTICES.

STATUTORY NOTICE TO CREDITORS.
In the Goods of
THE REVEREND ARCHDEACON PATRICK A. FLANAGAN, of Aughrim, Hillcrest, Drumcra, County Bessermon, Parish Priest, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the Statute 22 and 23 Vic. Chap. 35, that all persons claiming to be creditors of, or otherwise having any claims or demands upon or against the estate of the above Deceased, who died on the 26th day of December, 1924, are hereby required on or before the 1st day of May, 1925, to furnish, in writing, particulars of all such claims or demands to the undersigned Solicitor for the Executors named in the Will of the said Deceased, and in whom Probate of said Will was on the 6th day of March, 1925, granted forth of the District Registry, Cork, Probate), in the High Court of Justice, Saorstat Eireann.

And Notice is hereby further given that after the said 1st day of May, 1925, the said Executors will proceed to distribute the assets of the Deceased, having regard only to the claims and demands of which notice shall have been given as above required.

Dated this 24th day of March, 1925.
PATRICK J. RYAN, Solicitor for Executors, Strokestown.

STATUTORY NOTICE TO CREDITORS.
In the Goods of
LIEUTENANT-COLONEL JAMES CAMPBELL, late of the Hermitage, Sligo, Deputy Lieutenant, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the 23rd and 23rd Vic., cap. 35, that all persons claiming to be creditors or otherwise, who have claims against the estate of the above Deceased, who died on the 17th day of September, 1924, are hereby required, on or before the 1st day of May, 1925, to furnish (in writing) the particulars of their claims to the undersigned Solicitors for the Executors, to whom Probate of the Will of the said Deceased was granted on the 16th day of February, 1925, forth of the Principal Probate Registry of the High Court of Justice, Saorstat Eireann, and in default thereof the Executors will proceed to administer the Deceased's Estate having regard only to the claims of which they shall have had notice.

Dated this 18th day of March, 1925.
WILLIAM M. MOORE and SONS, Solicitors for Executors, 8 Anglesea street, Dublin.

THE COMPANIES ACTS, 1908 TO 1917.
JAMES O'FERRALL, LIMITED.
In Voluntary Liquidation.

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to Section 188 of the Companies (Consolidation) Act, 1908, that a Meeting of the Creditors of the above-named Company will be held at the Offices of the Company, Castle street, Kells, in the County of Meath, on Tuesday, the 7th day of April, 1925, at 12 o'clock noon.

Dated this 23rd day of March, 1925.
PATRICK A. MOONEY, Kells place, Kells, Co. Meath, Liquidator.
EUGENE F. COLLINS and SON, Solicitors, 19 Eustace street, Dublin.

NOTE.—The Company is being wound up by the desire of the Shareholders, and all Creditors will be paid in full.

IMPORTANT TO SOLICITORS.

From the 1st May, 1924, the charge for their advertisements under "Legal Notice" heading, or in any other advertising column of this paper (save "Agency" or "Personal"), is 1/6 per line, with a minimum of 10/6.

EDUCATION.

SEDBERGH SCHOOL.
TEN ENTRANCE SCHOLARSHIPS AND EXHIBITIONS,
Value £100 to £40, are offered for Competition.
Examination on JUNE 8th and 9th in LONDON, after a preliminary test at Preparatory Schools.
The BERNARD WILSON SCHOLARSHIP and the WILL GRANDAGE EXHIBITION are also offered.
For details apply to the Headmaster's Secretary, SEDBERGH SCHOOL, Sedbergh, YORKS.

WEATHER FORECAST.

General Inference.—A trough of low pressure between the Faroes and Iceland will move south-eastward.

In Northern districts the wind temporarily will become south-westerly, with occasional rain and a rise in temperature. In Southern districts cold northerly winds will continue, with mainly fair weather, but a few local showers.

N.W. and N.E. Ireland.—Wind south-westerly to westerly, light or moderate, fresh locally; occasional rain, but fair periods; visibility moderate to good; milder temporarily.

S.E. and S.W. Ireland.—Wind light, variable, some showers, but fair periods; visibility good; somewhat milder.

S.W. Seaboard, Mouth of Channel to South-West Ireland; Irish Sea and St. George's Channel.—Wind becoming variable, light; mainly fair, but local showers; visibility good; sea slight.

N.W. Seaboard.—Fresh south-westerly wind; some rain; visibility moderate; sea rather rough.

Dixon and Hempenstall, Barometers and Forecasters, 12 Suffolk street, Dublin.—(Advt)

BAROMETER.

Dublin—Thursday (8 p.m.)	30.30
Sun.	
To-day ... Rises ... 6.13 Sets	6.30
To-morrow ... 6.0 ...	6.51
Lighting-up Time	7.50

HIGH WATER.
DUBLIN.

To-day, Morning 7.0 Afternoon	1.12
To-morrow ... 7.37 ...	1.55

MUSSOLINI AT THE HELM.

ROME, Thursday.

Signor Mussolini, who is now completely restored to health, was given an enthusiastic reception when he entered the Chamber to-day. The Communists made an attempt to sing the International, which was resented by some Fascists, and a scuffle ensued, in which blows were exchanged.—(Reuter.)

The Irish Times.

FRIDAY, MARCH 27, 1925.

NEWS SUMMARY.

IRELAND.

The serious condition of the Irish farming industry is emphasised in the report of the Farmers' Union which was adopted in Dublin yesterday.—(Page 7.)

A tax to provide funds for hospitals was recommended by the Provost of Trinity College, Dublin, at the annual meeting of the Royal Victoria Eye and Ear Hospital yesterday.—(Page 8.)

A debate on unemployment in the Free State will take place in the Dail to-day.—(Page 7.)

How the new Act relating to the export of eggs will work is explained by our Agricultural Correspondent.—(Page 5.)

At the Central Criminal Court, Dublin, yesterday, Ralph Laffan, a motor mechanic, was found not guilty of the murder of Ernest Khan, a young Dublin Jew, at Stamer street on the night of November 14th, 1923, and was put back to answer further charges.—(Page 5.)

Dail Eireann yesterday gave a second reading to the bill under which the British Government will guarantee Free State Land Bonds.—(Page 7.)

In a speech at Strabane yesterday Sir James Craig said that, if he were a member of the Boundary Commission, he would give the whole of Donegal to Northern Ireland.—(Page 7.)

There were lively scenes last night at election meetings in East and North Belfast. Sir Dawson Bates was severely heckled.—(Page 7.)

GREAT BRITAIN.

Foot-and-mouth disease was discovered on premises at Sheffield yesterday. Seven of the fourteen cows on the farm were found to be affected with the disease.—(Page 7.)

The House of Commons debated the unemployment problem on the third reading of the Consolidated Fund Bill last night.—(Page 6.)

ABROAD.

It is feared that over fifty miners lost their lives in a French mining disaster near Strasbourg.—(Page 7.)

SPORTING.

At Liverpool yesterday Paddy won the Liverpool Spring Cup, Dinkie being second and Inchrory third.—(Page 10.)

FINANCIAL.

London Stock Markets were quiet and featureless. British Funds were stronger.—(Page 4.)

Money in Lombard street was very stringent, and up to 5 per cent. and over was paid for overnight accommodation, the usual charge, however, being 4 to 4½ per cent. The Discount Market was weak. French francs improved.—(Page 4.)

Dublin Stock Market was not so busy, but there were several strong points. The "leaders" were generally lower.—(Page 4.)

Ships and Builders.

Much dissatisfaction has been caused in British commercial circles by recent developments in the shipbuilding trade. Some months ago a subsidiary branch of Messrs. Furness, Withy and Company asked for tenders for five motor cargo boats. Various shipbuilding firms submitted estimates for the work, and after careful scrutiny of the tenders the company decided to give the contract to the *Deutsche Werft*, a well-known German concern. Naturally, public opinion in England was startled by this decision; but it became known that the *Deutsche Werft* had undertaken to supply the five ships in ten months, whereas no British firm was in a position to supply them in less than fourteen. Moreover, the German tender was no less than £60,000 per vessel cheaper than the lowest tender from Britain. No firm in its senses could be expected to make a present of £300,000 to a contractor for purely sentimental reasons; and, consequently, the *Deutsche Werft* got the contract. Almost immediately afterwards, however, another British company—the Pure Cane Molasses Company, Limited—placed an order for three motor-driven tank vessels in the British Isles. The fact now has been disclosed that the *Deutsche Werft* also was in competition for this contract, but, for some unaccountable reason, its tender was considerably higher than that of its nearest British rival. On the analogy of the Furness Withy contract the German concern, undoubtedly, could have kept its price below the British level if it had wished to secure the order. Apparently, the German shipbuilders are playing a deep game.

There is a fable about that the Germans are trying to wrest her world supremacy in shipbuilding from Great Britain. The late Hugo Stinnes set out to achieve this object, and the work which he began is being continued with the utmost energy by the men who took his place at the head of German industry. They have organised shipbuilding in Germany in a remarkably efficient way. They have two mutually helpful systems, one known as the "vertical" and the other as the "horizontal" system. The former aims at the control of everything that is necessary for the building of a ship—the forest which produces the wood, the coal and iron mines, the blast furnaces—in fact, every process from the raw material to the completed vessel. The "horizontal" system gathers every firm producing the same article, or parts of the same article, into one huge combination. To-day a German firm can produce anything from a tug-boat to an ocean liner with the *minimum* amount of expenditure. One brain controls the whole machine. The great shipbuilding trust has its own bank for purposes of finance; its own newspapers for advertising and propaganda; its own auxiliary factories of every kind, with the result that it is absolutely independent and virtually free from internal competition. In Britain, on the other hand, trusts of this magnitude are unknown. There is no such thing as organisation on a national basis; and orders that formerly came to Britain are going now not only to Germany, but even to Denmark and to Holland.

Conditions throughout Germany were so bad after the war that wages fell almost to vanishing point. Men were happy if they were able to earn enough to provide their families with the barest necessaries of life, and, after the failure of the Spartacist movement, employers were in a position to dictate terms to labour. Now conditions have improved, but the workers have become accustomed to a low standard of living, and they realise that Germany's only chance of economic recovery lies in her ability to oust her trade rivals—and particularly Britain—from the markets of the world. Consequently, they are working for smaller wages and for longer hours than the workers of any other European country. Every German is a patriot, and Labour is determined to do its share in the restoration of the Fatherland to its place in the sun. British Labour, by its insistence on an uneconomic rate of pay, is ruining British industry and playing into Germany's hands. The Germans are wily people. The shipbuilding incident suggests that their campaign against the trade of these islands is being launched in a very subtle fashion. They are "feeling" the market, and by sending in tenders now at a low, and now at a high, figure they are gaining valuable knowledge which will be used against British industry in due course. Belfast cannot afford to allow Germany to scoop the shipbuilding pool; and organised Labour in this country ought to co-operate with the British unions to safeguard the position of the nation's trade. Our workers ought to take a lesson from the Germans. Until they recognise the fact that their interests are identical with the interests of their country, foreigners will continue to cut the ground from beneath their feet.

The Golden Egg.

Tennyson has written that "the music of the moon sleeps in the plain egg of the nightingale." If economists could borrow from the poets something of their quality of romance, the material results might be eminently satisfactory. One of the Irish farmers' chief faults is his lack of commercial imagination. His fancy may respond to the stimulus of big and vague enterprises like the Shannon scheme, but it is unmoved by more familiar opportunities which, long neglected, yet have immense potentialities of development. The Free State's Minister for Lands and Agriculture will have done a magnificent service to Ireland if he succeeds in endowing our farmers with a new spirit of adventure—not the spirit that tempts to emigration, but the spirit that recognises the existence of wealth at their own doors. Take, for instance, the wealth that sleeps in the plain egg of the Irish hen. Even now few of our people have a real grasp of the fact that, as an official of Mr. Hogan's department tells us to-day—our exports of eggs and poultry bring five million pounds annually into the Free State. There is an even slighter realisation of the probability—more assured than the most plausible promises of the average company prospectus—that this five millions can be doubled in the next four or five years if the farmer will put his heart into the attempt. Our rivals in the British market have established high standards of production and organisation; and it is because we have neglected those standards that our own exports in recent years have become stationary, if not retrogressive. The Agricultural Production (Egg) Act, which is now on the Free State's Statute-book, is designed to remedy this condition of affairs. The Act will come into force on the first day of next August. It establishes a register for exporters, and does everything that legislation can do to encourage an increased production of eggs, and to ensure that they shall be graded and packed properly and that the State's trade-mark shall be a firm guarantee of quality to the British consumer. It is hoped that, with the co-operation of the farmers, centres may be arranged throughout the country for the collection, grading and packing of eggs; and the Department already is taking measures for the necessary education of the producers by a band of trained inspectors. Certainly, the fault will not be Mr. Hogan's if the experiment is a failure. Our own belief is that, after the new organisation has been at work for a few months, the financial results will be so good that the whole country will support it with enthusiasm. We may resent constant reference to the example of Denmark, just as the ancient Athenian resented the virtues of Aristides; but we must study the methods which have made her so successful. In 1924 Denmark exported eggs to the value of £4,870,000; and during that year there was a rapid expansion of her trade with Germany, who now, next to England, is her best customer for agricultural produce. Mr. Hogan's Act will be enforced in the nick of time; for a bill is before the Danish Rigsdag which applies the famous "Lur" mark regulations to the export of eggs.

Industrial Alcohol.

Scientific men have been striving to discover *formulæ* for the production of industrial alcohol—spirits to be used as fuel—at an economic cost; and to contrive engines suitable for its consumption. Inventors in the Irish Free State are offered prizes to the value of £1,500 by the Ministry of Industry and Commerce to encourage them to achieve these ends.

Perhaps, the commercial award awaiting a successful inventor is considerably larger than that offered by the Ministry; but we hope that some ingenious Irish brain will win them both. Alcohol is also easier to consume than to produce, and in the potash-making districts excessive aptitude has been displayed in both operations. Industrial alcohol, it is thought, could be produced at a cheap rate from potatoes if the right process could be contrived. One difficulty standing in the way of the inventor is created by the unhappy consideration that it would be perilous to society to produce cheap and plentiful alcohol in a form fit for human consumption. If a means should be found to extract alcohol from potatoes on a large and cheap scale, and at the same time to render it undrinkable, a valuable power would be added to our resources. The industrial world is increasingly dependent on supplies of petrol and the British Commonwealth is poor in possession of oil deposits. Cheap power-alcohol would render oil-driven ships and motor cars largely independent of those foreign territories from which at present oil is derived. To-day in the Irish Free State petrol is cheaper than milk—though, unhappily, not so nourishing; but, if undrinkable alcohol could be produced at a still lower price, motoring, and the use of motors in industry, would be cheap indeed, and our country would possess a commodity for which industrial Britain would offer an eager demand.

A Romance of the Peerage.

Only Sir Walter Scott could deal justly with the story of Brigadier-General Sir Edward Hamilton Seymour's successful claim to be the rightful Duke of Somerset. The tale is as exciting as "Guy Mannering"—held by many to be Scott's best novel—and, told by a modern writer as a piece of fiction, would be dismissed as far-fetched and improbable. In the eighteenth century one John Hudson, a publican, failing to prosper, turned seaman and shipped before the mast on a vessel belonging to the East India Company. He was reported to have died in Calcutta in 1786, and in the following year his widow married Colonel Francis Seymour, a scion of the proud house of Somerset, which was all but Royal. Another John Hudson appeared, dying in 1791; and the report that he was the original John Hudson cast doubts on the validity of the Seymour marriage. The claimant to the Dukedom of Somerset required, therefore, to prove that there really were two John Hudsons, and that the first really died in India in 1786. Registers and ships' logs were searched and the archives of the East India Company were ransacked. Everything seemed to turn on the survival of records concerning an obscure seaman; but in the end the problem was solved by discovery of proof that the second John Hudson was ten years younger than the first—that is, that he was a different person. The Committee of Privileges of the House of Lords was satisfied, and the true successor to the Dukedom was identified. Thus in romantic wise, the new Duke succeeds to one of the most romantic of British titles.

IMPERIAL PARLIAMENT.

UNEMPLOYMENT.

POLITICIANS AND TRADE DEPRESSION.

FROM OUR PARLIAMENTARY CORRESPONDENT.

WESTMINSTER, Thursday.

A merry little interlude, concerned with a live stock depôt at Barnet, from which wild animals had escaped at various times, was the feature of the question hour in the Commons this afternoon. Lieutenant-Colonel Freemantle asked the Home Secretary whether his attention had been called to this establishment, but the Home Secretary said that it had not, and, in any case, he had no power to interfere. The gallant colonel asked whether it was not the duty of the police to protect people from obvious danger, whereupon Sir Harry Brittain asked how a little animal like a mongoose could possibly alarm people. The Home Secretary, not to be outdone, said that he understood that a baboon had turned up at the local police station. The colonel interjected a remark, and Sir W. Joynson-Hicks exclaimed "Oh, no! I cannot prosecute the baboon." One member suggested deportation, another that the police might be armed, while Sir Clement Kinloch Cooke asked whether any of these peculiar animals had escaped into the House of Commons. After many bursts of laughter, the Home Secretary concluded the argument by saying that anybody who was troubled could apply for an injunction in the High Court.

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The debate on unemployment, which followed questions, was on a rather higher plane than the many discursive discussions on this subject that have taken place up to the present. The occasion was the motion for the third reading of the Consolidated Fund Bill. Sir John Simon, who led off, took the view that, by confining themselves to questions of administration, they were apt to lose sight of the tragic and almost desperate situation which confronted the country. He asked had the Government a policy, or were they again reading to hold that no adequate remedy for unemployment was in sight. They had to go back to the hungry forties to get anything comparable to the present situation. Including outdoor relief, unemployment had cost the community 288 millions since the Armistice. Apart from trades facilities and other palliatives, that dated back to the Coalition days, what did the Government propose to do?

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Mr. Philip Snowden observed that he and his friends still held to the belief that the capitalists were the real cause of the whole trouble; but if foreign trade could be restored unemployment would be reduced to, at any rate, the pre-war standard. What trade wanted more than anything else was stability and security; and he pressed the Government to make an early announcement on the subject.

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Sir Arthur Steel-Maitland, Minister of Labour, dealt at considerable length with the many factors which made for unemployment; but he thought it wrong to assume, as many people did, that the present burden was to remain with us for an indefinite period. He was not sanguine enough to imagine that any Government could solve the problem by its own efforts. The most that they could do was to make smooth the path, so that industry could steady itself.

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There was a strong speech from Mr. Lloyd George, who viewed the situation with considerable disquietude. He failed to see any real signs of a revival of trade. Since 1922 every kind of Government had tried to grapple with the problem of unemployment, but they had only bettered the position to the extent of a hundred thousand or so.

On the question of inflation, he did not believe that any alteration here or there would appreciably affect the situation. Our foreign trade was 25 per cent. worse than it was before the war, our national income was down 15 or 20 per cent. We had an increase in population of two millions, but we were producing less. Perhaps, we had banked too much on being a manufacturing nation, and had thought too little of developing other natural resources. Unless some thing was done there would be inevitable disaster. If, however, we realised the situation in time, he believed that we could attain a greater prosperity and a greater common happiness than we had ever enjoyed in the past.

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Sir P. Cunliffe Lister said that manufacturers had nothing to fear if they co-operated with the Government in getting accurate records of trade. Without being unduly pessimistic the outlook was not a pleasant one at the present time. What the Government could do was of a strictly limited character. It could only pursue a general policy at home and abroad to try to create and maintain those conditions in which the industries of the country could best help themselves. He did not think that Sir A. Mond's scheme would work. Any form of subsidy was an artificial stimulus, and they could not rely on it to support a general policy. The Government would not hesitate to cut their way through vested interests wherever they found them opposed to the general interests of the country.

The bill was read a third time.

TO-DAY'S ENGAGEMENTS.

Gaiety Theatre—"The Rat," 7.45 p.m.
Theatre Royal—Varieties, 6.45 and 9 p.m.
Queen's Theatre—"Kisses and Kandy," 6.50 and 9.
Abbey Theatre—"Spreading the News" and "The Shadow of a Gunman," 8 p.m.
Olympia Theatre—Revue, 7 and 9 p.m.
Metropole Cinema—"White Man."
La Scala Theatre—"I Will Repay," 3 to 10.30 p.m.
Grafton Cinema—"The Exciters," also "Across the World by Zeppelin."
Princess Cinema, Rathmines—"The Stirrup Cup."
Royal Cinema—"Kisses and Kandy."
Pavilion Cinema, Dun Laoghaire—"It Is the Law," 3.30 to 10.15 p.m.
Phil Bevan's Band—Dance, 10 p.m.
Revision of Port and Docks Electoral Lists.
Organ Recital at St. Patrick's Cathedral, 8 p.m.
Farmers' Concert, Mansion House, 10 a.m.
Monthly School Concert, Metropolitan Hall, 8 p.m.
University College Gaelic Society, 7.30 p.m.
Sheriff's Court, Green street, 10 a.m.
Lecture at Rathmines Town Hall, 8 p.m.
Recital by Mrs. Hughes, Lecture Hall, Christ Church, Rathmines, 7.45 p.m.
Dublin Circuit Court, The Castle, 11 a.m.
Central Criminal Court, Green street, 11 a.m.

COURT AND PERSONAL.

To-morrow the Prince of Wales will leave Portsmouth for Africa. Though no elaborate arrangements have been carried out in H.M.S. Repulse, several new features have been introduced for the Prince's enjoyment. These include a squash racquets court and an electric pianola. The Prince, who has been learning the banjo lately, is taking with him a very fine banjo, made for him by Mr. Weaver, who made one for King Edward many years ago.

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The Duchess of Sutherland left Hampden House, London, yesterday for Paris. The Marchioness of Aberdeen and Temair will remain at House of Cromar, Aboyne, till she leaves for the United States next month. Lord and Lady Ormsmore and Browne will spend Easter at Mereworth Castle, where they will have a family party. The Countess of Seafield and her mother, Mary Countess of Seafield, are expected to arrive at Avonmouth next Sunday from Jamaica.

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The Countess of Bradford and Lady Diana Bridgeman have returned from Biarritz. The Hon. Sir Sidney Greville returned to London yesterday from Paris. Mdlle. Françoise de La Panouse, daughter of the Comte and Comtesse de La Panouse, has been staying with the Governor-General, the Earl of Athlone, and Princess Alice at Cape Town, and will leave to-day for England. Lady Joan Amherst will leave New York for England towards the end of next month.

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The Earl and Countess of Chichester, the Countess of Caithness and Sir Henry Robinson are among the latest arrivals at Mentone. The Hon. Sir Harry Stonor, Lady Michelham, Lady Waterlow, Sir George and Lady Sutherland and Sir Albert and Lady Stern are staying at Monte Carlo. Sir William and Lady Byrne spent the winter on the Riviera and have now left for Jersey. The Earl and Countess of Denbigh will remain at Cap Ferrat till the beginning of May. Lord and Lady Hamilton of Dalzell are staying at Monte Carlo.

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The Countess of Pembroke and Montgomery has been laid up in London, since her return from Paris, with an attack of bronchitis. Viscount Cecil has contracted a chill and is confined to his room. The Japanese Ambassador, Baron Hayashi, is suffering from the prevailing epidemic and is obliged to remain in bed. Sir Francis J. Newton, High Commissioner for Southern Rhodesia, is recovering slowly from a severe attack of influenza.

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Captain and Lady Dorothie Moore left Moorefort on Wednesday for Liverpool. General Sir Bryan Mahon has left Dublin for England. The Hon. Mrs. Hewitt, Captain and Mrs. H. de Burgh, Mr. and Mrs. Filgate and Colonel Bolton are among the latest departures from Dublin.

Smart New Woollen Coats and Skirts in various shades have just been delivered at Switzer's Costume Gallery. Prices 50s. to 3½ guineas.

Dress-Cutting Demonstration by Butterick Experts proceeding daily at Switzers.

New Spring Millinery and the Fashionable Bankoks, Bowens, Pedals and Straws; all latest shades, Cedar, Mahogany, Rouge, Cocoa, Old Blue, Havana, Beige, etc.—W. Holmes, Dublin, Ltd., 69, 70, 71 South Great George's street.

PASSENGERS ON ROYAL MAIL STEAMERS.

Arrivals.—F. W. Rogers Brambell, John W. Kenny, Hon. Ethel Stourton, Mr. and Mrs. Francis V. Kennedy, Mr. and Mrs. John Murray, J. A. Carroll, Mrs. Joseph Isaacs, Miss Doris Isaacs, Miss Hilda Isaacs, Mrs. Charles McGladdery, Mrs. Gibson, Mrs. T. Boyle, Capt. C. Reid, Mr. William Marriott, Master W. H. Reid.

Departures.—Miss E. Macnamara, Sir James C. Percy, Miss MacMaster, Michael J. O'Brien, Michael Byrne, Charles H. Walkey, Mrs. C. H. Walkey, Arthur Gaynor, Mrs. Marcus Keane, Miss Keane, J. C. Walsh.

Other Arrivals and Departures will be found in "Dublin and the Provinces."

McBirney and Co.'s Great Spring Sale, this and following days. Write for Catalogue.

"Our Boys"—The noted house for Boys' and Youths' High-class Clothing and Outfitting at moderate prices. Great selection.—24 Wicklow street.

Special show of Millinery Models this day (Friday). See windows.—Davis and Co., 45 Grafton street.

Mourning Orders receive prompt attention. 'Phone 4906.—Davis and Co., 45 Grafton street.

£1,500 IN PRIZES.

INDUSTRIAL ALCOHOL INQUIRY.

Prizes not exceeding £1,500 are to be awarded in connection with an inquiry to be held under a resolution passed by Seanad Eireann on 23rd October, 1923. The Free State Minister for Industry and Commerce has appointed a Committee which is constituted as follows:—

Senator W. Barrington (Chairman).
Senator Sir Nugent Everard.
Senator H. S. Guinness.
Professor Hugh Ryan.
W. Sears, T.D.

The following are the terms of reference:—

"1.—To consider and report as to whether any persons can demonstrate that it is practicable to produce in Saorstát Eireann:—

(a) crude alcohol at a price and in quantity that would enable it to compete with imported spirit for power purposes;

(b) an efficient type of engine using crude alcohol that would be suitable for commercial power requirements.

2.—To recommend to the Minister the grant of prizes not exceeding in total the sum of £1,500 to such persons as, in the opinion of the Committee, demonstrate that the production on the conditions above mentioned of crude alcohol and of an efficient engine is commercially practicable.

It is not contemplated that the Committee should conduct any experiments."

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LAND BONDS

GUARANTEE BY BRITAIN.

CREDIT OF FREE STATE.

FULFILMENT OF AN OBLIGATION.

BY 50 votes against 11 Dail Eireann yesterday gave a second reading to the bill under which the British Government will guarantee the bonds issued in connection with the completion of land purchase in the Free State.

The Minister for Finance mentioned that bonds to the value of £30,000,000, bearing interest at 4½ per cent., would be issued, and they would be redeemable in eighty years. He believed that before the end of that period they would have a national currency in the Free State.

If the bonds did not carry the guarantee of the British Government, but were backed solely by the credit of the Free State, he had no doubt that their price in the market would sink to a considerable discount. One result of that would be that the National Loan would be brought below its present price, and the State would have to pay a higher rate of interest on sums that it might want to borrow in the future.

Mr. Thomas Johnson objected to the bill on the ground that it would place the State "in pawn" and increase the influence of the British Government in the Free State.

THE GUARANTEE.

WHAT REJECTION WOULD MEAN.

Mr. Blythe moved the second reading of the Land Bond Bill. He explained that the purpose of the bill was to enable the Government to avail itself of the offer of the British Government to guarantee the bonds under the Land Act of 1923. There would be about £30,000,000 of those bonds bearing interest at 4½ per cent. The bonds would be issued for a number of years, and if they were not guaranteed they would be backed solely by the credit of the Free State.

In the latter case he had no doubt that their price in the market would sink to a considerable discount; and the result would be that the National Loan would be brought down below the price at which it stood at the present day. The price of the National Loan would regulate, almost automatically, the price of any future loan.

He had no doubt that their failure to utilise the British guarantee would result in their having to pay increased sums in interest for any borrowing that they might make. The Government undertook no responsibility in connection with the matter to which there could be no objection. They undertook to make it a first charge on the Central Fund, and to give it priority over other charges that did not previously exist. When the Act of 1920 was being passed, certain pledges were given by the British Government in regard to land purchase, and ever since that Government had in various forms given promises to guarantee any bonds that might be necessary to complete land purchase.

INTEREST OF LANDLORDS.

Their doing that was in the interest of the landlords who were being bought out. There was no doubt that the guarantee would be of great advantage to the landlords whose lands had been or would be bought out. It meant that their bonds could be placed on the market at a good price, a price which they would not get if the bonds were not guaranteed. He had little doubt that before the end of the eighty years over which these bonds would extend, there would be a national currency in the Free State.

It would be impossible to give any guarantee in terms of a currency which did not exist, and, therefore, that the British guarantee was of importance, for people would know what they were getting. The Government had made arrangements for the redemption of the entire of the bonds within a period of eighty years.

The main provision in the bill was that which enabled the Government to take advantage of the offer of the British Government's guarantee, and he thought that there could be no substantial argument against it.

Mr. Sears supported the bill.

Mr. Johnson said that the landlords had done very well. The Dail was now asked to make them further presents by placing the Free State under an obligation to another State. When, by a deliberate Act of the Legislature they consented to another State guaranteeing their debts they at the same time offered an invitation to that State to make quite sure that the finances, the economy and the Government of the Free State should conform to its desires; that it should not take risks not approved of for fear of injuring their capacity to pay their debts. That was the proposition in the bill.

FINANCIAL ADVANTAGE.

He was quite satisfied that the bill would be to the financial advantage of the Free State. Many would argue that it would be to their financial advantage to enter into closer financial relations with the British Government, that they would do much better with all their flotations if they were backed by that Government. But were they for that reason to consent to a measure for the sake of giving further advantages to the landowners? The Free State had entered into an obligation with the landowners to pay them an annual sum. They were in a position to pay that sum, but they had never contracted to increase the value of those bonds on the Stock Exchange.

The proposal would in the long run be damaging to the best interests of the country, which should rely on its own exertions to convince people that they could accept its stock with safety. In what was before the House the credit of the Irish Free State was at stake.

One of the reasons always given by an imperialistic State for interference with the affairs of a smaller State was the necessity for protecting the financial interests of its nationals in that State. In the bill they were inviting Great Britain to do that. It was craving for the financial protection of another Power, and once that was done there would come an insistent demand from certain interests for a similar backing for all their flotations.

The provision to pay in British currency was a confession that in a number of years Irish currency would be lower in value than British. It might not be a barrier against the setting up of an Irish currency, but it looked very like it. When the Act of 1923 was in the Senate, even the spokesmen of the landlords did not raise the point that the payments should be in British currency. He asked the Minister to say whether it was to the political, social, or economic, as well as the financial, interests of the country to put the Irish Free State into pawn with the British Government, to invite that Government to keep a perpetual watch over their conduct of affairs, and to make quite certain as far as they could that they should not depart from the line of safety.

Mr. Wilson (Farmers) said the bill was unnecessary. It would give no advantage, and would tend to lower the credit of the State.

Mr. Hogan (Minister for Lands and Agriculture) said it would be wrong to give the impression that they were doing something on this occasion which had not been done before. Opposite sides of the House took facts before them. They must remember that there was already a liability on the Central Guarantee Fund, for any deficiency in land purchase annuities; that there was a charge on the taxation of the Saorstat for the interest on £130,000,000 for land purchase.

Mr. Johnson said the provisions of the Treaty projected a financial re-arrangement, and the obligation as to land purchase would be part of that arrangement.

Mr. Hogan—Yes; certainly.

Mr. Johnson said that they were already bound to the British Government for the deficiency in annual payments of land stock interest, but only until the settlement took place under Article 5 of the Treaty.

Mr. Hogan—What hasn't that?

Mr. Johnson said that that depended on the settlement. They hoped that it would not mean an annual payment to the British Exchequer.

Mr. Hogan said that at the moment the position was that the State owed a sum of £130,000,000 in respect of land purchase. The real problem they had to consider was whether, having regard to the admitted financial conditions, they should go ahead and extend that sum to £160,000,000. It was not putting the matter in its proper perspective to say that they were now creating a precedent. They were simply asked to extend the loan that already existed for the purpose of completing the work for which the original £130,000,000 was borrowed.

ABSURD.

They would have a very different debate if the Minister had come forward and asked for an ordinary State loan. It was not fair to compare a loan like the National Loan with a loan of this sort. He could not see how this would make any real difference, and he suggested that to say that the State was being put in pawn in this connection was absurd. He would like to hear how this particular addition of £30,000,000 to the Saorstat indebtedness was going to have all the consequences depicted feared.

Mr. Johnson asked whether the Minister could point to the time and occasion when the Dail and Government of the Free State had entered into a contract with the British Government in respect to any matter equivalent to this.

Mr. Hogan said that he could not see what that had to do with the matter. They could not close their eyes to the fact that the liability was there. It would be obvious to any sensible deputy that there were certain financial advantages to the State in accepting the guarantee. They ought to remember that they had inherited much larger liabilities already, and the real question was whether they ought to forego obvious advantages by accepting this guarantee, in view of the fact that they had inherited the disadvantages in respect of a much larger sum. It would cost about £30,000,000 to complete land purchase. About half that sum would go to landlords and the other half to the banks, for which amount would go on to the market in the next three or four years, but if that loan went on the Irish market with an Irish guarantee alone it would be difficult for the Minister of Finance to get moneys needed for other purposes.

Mr. Wilson (Farmers) said that there was a responsibility on the State to see that its credit was maintained, and they ought not to take action like the present to give certain guarantees that gave other people rights they could not have, and that were not conceded to them.

Mr. Blythe—What rights?

Mr. Baxter—The rights the British Government will have to interfere.

Mr. Blythe—They will have no rights.

IN EVENT OF NO PAYMENT.

Mr. Baxter—They will have rights. If we do not pay, what will the British Government do then?

Members—Oh!

Mr. Blythe—I do not know. No power is given to them under this Act.

Mr. Baxter—This Act gives certain guarantees to the British Treasury. I am satisfied that the guarantee that the Minister is giving under this bill must give certain interests and influence to the State to which we give the guarantee.

Mr. Blythe—How?

Mr. Baxter—Because in every country, and in this State to-day, the financial interests have an influence and power which may not be visible. If the State gives certain guarantees to the British Treasury, the influence of the British Treasury will make itself felt here in this State.

Mr. Conor Hogan asked if the Free State was giving any *quid pro quo* for the guarantee which the British Government was giving to the bonds.

Mr. Wolfe said that the Government and the Dail would be great fools if they did not accept the guarantee, which they had not asked for, but which the British Government considered they were in duty bound to give.

Mr. P. J. Egan said that anything which added to the security of Irish investments lifted up the whole credit of the State.

Mr. Gorey said that the mistake made was in giving the landowners too great a price under the Act of 1923. He would accept the bill because he believed that it would do a lot of good to the national credit. Help in that direction was wanted when they saw so many people going round the country preaching the repudiation of debts. Every vote given to an irregular at the last election was given on the principle of "say no more."

Mr. Hall (Labour) supported the bill, which he believed would be a great benefit to the country, especially in the matter of dividing up the lands.

HELP TO SETTLEMENT.

The Minister for Agriculture, in reply to questions, said that the operations of the Act had not been held up for the want of a bill such as that, but the procedure would be more expeditious if there was agreement between the vendor and the purchaser. The bill would help towards that agreement.

Mr. Blythe said that when the Free State came into being the British Government was pledged to guarantee these land bonds. There were no conditions imposed except the natural condition that they would repay any sums paid on their behalf. That was not putting the State in pawn. It was quite nonsense to say that there was anything in the bill putting power into the hands of the British Treasury. There was no doubt at all but that land stock being issued over a series of years would tend to sink very low, and would drag down with it any other stock they might have.

On a division the second reading was carried by 50 to 11.

POLITICAL NOTES.

UNEMPLOYMENT IN THE FREE STATE.

DEBATE IN THE DAIL TO-DAY.

FROM OUR POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT.

A discussion on unemployment will be raised in the Dail to-day on the Central Fund Bill.

The terms of the bill follow the usual form, a measure of this kind being regularly required to cover the issue of the moneys voted on supplementary estimates and on account. It has been agreed, however, to take the discussion on unemployment, which the Labour Party desired and the Government could not well refuse, on the motion to suspend the Standing Orders for the purpose of enabling the bill to be taken through its remaining stages in one day. The motion was to have come on yesterday, but was deferred by agreement.

TRADE LOANS.

I understand that no loans have actually been made under the Trade Loans Act, but certain firms which have been given the expectation of a guarantee are negotiating with the Land Bank. If the agreements they make satisfy the Minister for Finance, the State guarantee will be given.

RULES OF COURT NOT READY.

The three Rule-making Committees, which, under the Courts of Justice Act, are engaged in framing rules for the High Courts, the Circuit Court and the District Court, are near the end of their labours. Draft rules for the District Court are expected to reach the Minister for Justice very soon—perhaps within the next few days. The Circuit Court Committee has arranged a meeting for final consideration of the draft; and the draft of rules for the High Courts is well advanced.

The drafts when received must be scrutinised by the Minister for Finance, whose concurrence is necessary before they can be adopted. It is hardly likely, therefore, that any of the drafts will be laid before the Oireachtas before Easter.

AMERICAN VISITORS.

A number of American visitors, evidently a touring party, were conspicuous in the Visitors' Gallery at the Dail yesterday. They did not remain long, but were present for the answering of questions addressed to Ministers, and the introduction of the Fisheries Bill.

FRENCH TRAIN'S ESCAPE.

DERAILED ON EDGE OF RAVINE.

ACT OF SABOTAGE.

PARIS, Thursday.

The tri-weekly train De Luxe, connecting with the 11 a.m. boat train from Victoria, running straight through from Calais via Paris and the Arlberg to Vienna, had a narrow escape from sharing a fate similar to that which befell the Bordeaux-Paris express yesterday.

At nine p.m. yesterday, eight kilometres from Provins, at a point where the line describes a sharp curve skirting a ravine, the whole train, composed of first class coaches, sleeping cars and a restaurant car, ran off the track.

The first car stopped only a yard from the edge of the ravine, but not one of the passengers was injured. All were able to continue their journey shortly afterwards by the Bucharest express.

Inquiries tend to show that the accident was an act of sabotage. The bolts had, in fact, been removed from one of the rails over a distance of 16 metres.

Owing to the fact that the passengers were able to proceed almost immediately, the details of the narrow escape of the train were only known in Paris this afternoon.—Reuter.

SHIPBUILDING BY GERMANY.

TESTING THE BRITISH MARKET.

In English shipping circles there is a belief that German shipbuilders have been making exhaustive inquiries in Great Britain with the view of obtaining a subsidy from their own Government in order to undersell shipbuilders in Britain. While the nature of these inquiries may be perfectly *bona fide* the German shipowners, comments *The Shipbuilding and Shipping Record* to-day, "must not be surprised to find that while this country does give an impression that this testing of the market is not entirely unconnected with the provisions of the regulations governing a shipbuilding loan to German shipowners."

WIRELESS LICENCES.

POSITION IN THE FREE STATE.

Holders of licences for wireless broadcasting reception sets have now to renew their licences if they intend to retain their listening sets. All the licences issued by the Free State Post Office last year expire at the end of this month.

Persons who took out licences before April 1st last year were given the benefit of the extra days; those who took out licences after 1st October were charged half the annual fee. The number of licences issued for the year now coming to a close was about 2,000.

It is known that some sets are being used without licence, and officers of the Post Office engineering department are endeavouring to trace delinquents. Hitherto, persons so traced have been warned and given opportunity to obtain a licence. As yet, no prosecution has been instituted against any defaulter.

Some licence-holders are grumbling that the Free State Post Office is giving no service in return for the licence fee, and they compare the position with that in Great Britain, where the fees go towards broadcasting of entertainment and educational matter.

On this point, an officer of the Free State Office told an *Irish Times* representative that the licence is required as a recognition of the State's monopoly of wireless communication, and as a contribution to the cost of registration of users of wireless instruments. The proceeds would hardly cover the cost of administration of the register, including the expenses involved in detection of defaulters. The revenue from licence fees, even if the number of licences were increased greatly, would yield only a fraction of the cost of a broadcasting station, and if the Free State Government were to provide a broadcasting service, it could only be by subsidy from other funds. The duty of the Minister for Finance to say whether that could be afforded.

In the Dail a fortnight ago, Mr. Blythe stated that he had received proposals from the Minister for Posts and Telegraphs, but had not yet assented to them. As to suggestions questions of a legal character arose, it was necessary, in the first instance, to examine the matter from this point of view, and this examination is now being concluded. I am now considering the scheme on its merits, and hope to be in a position shortly to reach a conclusion."

At the Ministry of Finance yesterday it was stated that the Minister had not yet made a decision on the subject.

FRENCH MINING DISASTER.

FEARED LOSS OF OVER FIFTY LIVES.

STRASBOURG, Thursday.

As the result of the breaking of the cable in No. 7 Pit of the Sarre et Moselle coal mines at Malebach this afternoon, about 50 miners have been killed.

A cage containing a large number of miners was being taken up to the surface, when the cable snapped. Other men in the mine succeeded in releasing from 25 to 30 men, who were more or less seriously injured, and these were at once taken up to the surface by another shaft.

It is feared, however, that from 50 to 60 men were killed outright. The news of the accident spread rapidly through the neighbouring villages, and a large crowd of anxious relatives gathered at the mouth of the mine, which is close to the frontier of the Saar territory. The victims are of several nationalities.

Safety crews were soon at work, and the injured were taken to the local hospital. Operations in connection with the bringing up of the bodies will be continued throughout the night.—(Reuter.)

SOUTH AFRICAN GOLD.

MINT MAKING SOVEREIGNS AND MEDALS.

JOHANNESBURG, Thursday.

The Royal Mint at Pretoria is now working at high pressure, minting new coins and cleaning and weighing old coins. A large number of sovereigns are being minted from gold deposited by the mines. The mint is also making medals for various centres in connection with the visit of the Prince of Wales. The Rand *Daily Mail* says that the mines will soon resume paying wages in gold.—*The Times* Correspondent.

THE NORTHERN ELECTIONS.

SIR J. CRAIG AND BORDER.

WANTS CO. DONEGAL.

LIVELY MEETINGS IN BELFAST.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

BELFAST, Thursday.

The Northern election campaign is now in full swing. Apart from the contest in Tyrone and Fermanagh, which has a special significance owing to its relation to the boundary problem, the contests in the four Belfast Divisions are attracting most attention.

While the majority of the Unionist electors in the city will keep the boundary problem in the forefront, and consequently will vote for the official candidates, there are some sections that are raising various matters more closely identified with administration. The storm centre in this respect is East Belfast. Here a Labour candidate and an Independent Unionist, who is an anti-Prohibitionist, are fighting for two seats. Sir Dawson Bates's administration at the Home Office, which meets with general approval of the Unionists throughout the Northern area, in some respects has not pleased the extreme section of the Unionist Party in East Belfast. His support of the Inspector-General of Police in suspending the former District Inspector, Mr. Nixon, for making a political speech at an Orange gathering, contrary to regulations, is particularly resented by this section.

MR. NIXON'S AID.

Mr. Nixon is an official Unionist candidate for North Belfast, and it would not be surprising if he appeared on the platform to support Sir Dawson Bates now, when he has agreed to help the Government in every way. There is also some resentment against Sir Dawson Bates for increasing extremists in East Belfast during the disturbances a few years ago. Alderman J. A. Duff is also unpopular with a large section of the voters in his constituency, owing to his criticisms of the Protestant clerical managers of the schools, which, with the members of the United Protestant Education Committee and the leaders of the Belfast Orangemen, were instrumental in securing the recent amendment of the Education Act.

Mr. Gyle, the Independent Unionist, will, it is understood, receive a large measure of support, and displace one of the Unionists in East Belfast. The Labour Party candidate will also get a large number of votes in East Belfast, but it is doubtful if it will be sufficient to displace a second Unionist candidate.

In the West Division Mr. Joseph Devlin, it is anticipated, will have no difficulty in securing election.

In North Belfast the Labour candidate, Mr. S. Kyle, and the Independent Unionist, Councillor Henderson, who are opposing the four official Unionist candidates, will both have their main support from the Shankhill portion of the division, and to this extent may injure the chances of Alderman Nixon, who, however, is bound to receive a considerable number of votes in other parts of the constituency, by reason of the fact that he is one of the four official Unionist candidates.

In South Belfast Colonel Woods is making a bold bid to secure one of the seats from the official Unionista Party, while the Town Tenants' candidate may also draw a good deal of first preference votes. Sir James Craig's declaration, however, to continue the Rent Restrictions Act upon the same lines as Great Britain has done much to allay the activity of the Town Tenants, who dreaded the withdrawal of these restrictions.

SIR J. CRAIG'S TOUR.

HIS SOLUTION OF BORDER PROBLEM.

Continuing his tour of the border constituencies, Sir James Craig yesterday visited Castlederg, Strabane, Gisbi, Sion Mills, Londonderry, and Limavady.

On his way to Strabane he stopped at a place called Glenrush to inspect some trenches which the Special Constabulary dug at the time of the frontier raids, three years ago. One trench lies just across the border, and for a few seconds Sir James stood in Free State territory.

In his speech at Strabane, Sir James Craig said that if he were one of the Boundary Commissioners it would not be very long until he would map out a proper border—a border that would include the whole of County Donegal in Northern Ireland. When the British Government hurried through the Act of 1920 they displayed no skill, in his opinion, in fixing the frontiers.

The shores of the sea on the other side of picturesque Donegal were the real boundary. They would welcome East Donegal into Ulster, for, as Mr. Nixon had said, all that had been left in the hands of one man, and they could only pray to God that he would show commonsense and not throw Northern Ireland back into the terrible chaos that existed in 1920, 1921 and 1922.

Sir James Craig paid a tribute to Sir Dawson Bates, and expressed his regret that "roughs of some sort" had howled him down in East Belfast.

ROWDY MEETINGS.

DISORDERLY SCENES IN EAST BELFAST.

FROM A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.

BELFAST, Thursday.

The official Unionist candidates had another stormy reception in East Belfast to-night, Captain Dixon being the only one who had a fair hearing.

In Memel street, Sir Dawson Bates, Home Secretary, was fiercely interrupted, and a Mr. Kirk, a sergeant of the "Specials," wound up by describing him as a "Toe-rag."

When Alderman Duff had been frequently interrupted, he said, sarcastically, "You men are tired; come up here," to which there was a thunderous reply, "We are tired of you long ago."

At last the Rev. John Redmond asked for fair play for the speakers. (A Voice—"Let Duff sit down.")

Mr. Duff, continuing, said that if they thought that they could play with the destinies of the six counties, retribution would be theirs.

When Sir Dawson Bates rose to reply to a man who asked about a job in the Post Office, he was greeted with jeers and shouts of "What about Nixon?"

Mr. J. S. Reade, Secretary of the Grand Orange Lodge of Ireland, asked what would their brethren in the South think when they read that a brother Orangeman had been howled down. He appealed to them not to disgrace the Order. The appeal had no effect.

Sir Dawson Bates had an ugly reception when he rose to make his speech proper. He said that it was a question whether they wanted to be under the Parliament in Dublin, to which there was a retort: "We could be no worse than we are."

Vainly endeavouring to make himself heard in the din, Sir Dawson shouted: "For God's sake let us get away from domestic politics."

Mr. Thompson Donald had also a bad time, and although Captain Dixon got a fairly good hearing, the meeting concluded more or less in disorder.

The official candidates had also a very stormy reception at two open air meetings in North Belfast, where they were subjected to considerable heckling.

NORTH BELFAST.

At all the meetings in North Belfast last night the official Unionist candidates were subjected to considerable interruption. Mr. W. Grant being the principal victim. When he said they were determined to hold the six counties a man in the crowd shouted—"With whose help? Sure you have all the men in Derry Jail." He went on to speak of unemployment, but had only uttered a few sentences when an interrupter chimed in—"Sir James Craig said that he would solve the problem long ago, and he has not done it yet."

Despite an appeal by the Chairman for order, Mr. Grant was unable to complete his address.

Mr. Whittaker and Mr. Nixon were also subjected to a good deal of heckling.

A disturbance occurred also at a second meeting.

Mr. Nixon spoke of his services in the R.I.C. and the R.U.C., and to the time he was "down." Asked who put him down, he replied, "They will pay for it yet; I don't forget things so easily."

FARMERS' LACK OF PROFITS.

DEPRESSION THAT AFFECTS ALL TRADES.

NEED FOR ECONOMY.

That the uncertainty of the future of the farming industry is putting a strain on the whole social fabric, is one of the points urged in the report of the Standing Committee, which was adopted yesterday by the Irish Farmers' Union, at their annual Congress in Dublin.

Allusion is made in the report to the improved internal conditions of our country, but a continuance of the adverse conditions which have made farming so difficult and unprofitable in recent years, is recorded. The report says that agriculture, while it has not been ignored, has not received the attention it deserves.

THE SURGEON'S KNIFE.

Until such time as the outlook for farming definitely improves, neither the country nor its import and business enterprises can be regarded as secure.

In the Committee's view, no mere prescriptions, party or proprietary, can ease the country's condition. There is urgent need for the application of the surgeon's knife.

Expenditure generally must be drastically reduced, and whether waste arises from inefficiency or excessive staffing in the national services, or extravagance and administration of local rates, the serious drainage on the country's resources must be speedily eliminated.

For some time past commercial men have complained that business was generally poor. The reason is that farming has not been prosperous. Transport has been expensive and facilities inadequate; trade has been hampered generally, and production discouraged by the lack of profits and the difficulty of getting even working costs for many of the items off the farm.

As a result, the farmer is hard pressed to make ends meet, and the circulation of money is restricted. Continuous employment for agricultural workers has become a matter for serious concern.

OVERHEAD CHARGES.

It is pointed out that, while prices for agricultural produce have declined, there is no change in the farmer's overhead costs and production costs.

The Land Act, it is claimed, affected only a minority of the farmers, and any immediate benefits were counter-balanced by the continued high level of local rates. The wages of agricultural labourers are said to be in excess of that justified by the official cost of living figure. Perusal of the lists of those entered in bankruptcy or made subject to decrees for debt show an undue proportion to be farmers.

In view of the demand for employment and the stability which regular work brings, the decline in the area under tillage is interpreted as meaning that conditions of late years have supervened which now make tillage unduly hazardous. Competition has become so keen, and the outlook so uncertain, that the ordinary agriculturist is puzzled to plan even a short time ahead with any security.

IN THE DAIL.

During the year the Union achieved some very tangible results on limited resources. If they did not achieve more, it was due to lack of material and moral support.

The Farmers' Party has justified the policy of maintaining an attitude of independence towards other political parties, and directing attention primarily to matters of economic interest.

The increased poll in the recent Cavan by-election indicated that farmers are slowly coming to realise that real relief must come primarily from reliance on themselves. The Irish Farmers' Union claim credit in the initiation of the Agricultural Produce (Eggs) Act, the Dairy Produce Act, and the Live Stock Breeding Act; and the Farmers' Party did much to amend them in their passage through the Dail.

The public session of the Congress will take place to-day.

NATIONAL OPERA TRUST.

APPEAL FOR £500,000.

The British National Opera Trust last night issued an appeal for £500,000 to encourage the study and promotion of Grand Opera in the English language. Among the trustees of the scheme are the Marquis of Londonderry, the Earl of Shaftesbury and Sir Landon Ronald.

The Marquis of Londonderry has been Minister of Education for Northern Ireland since 1921, and is known as a patron of the Arts.

The Earl of Shaftesbury is an accomplished amateur musician. He possesses a good tenor voice, and has sung principal parts in oratorio. Lord Shaftesbury is Chancellor of the Queen's University, Belfast.

Sir Landon Ronald, Principal of the Guildhall School of Music, London, has gained distinction as musical critic, instrumentalist, composer and conductor. He has written upwards of three hundred songs, in addition to numerous orchestral works; has conducted Grand Opera at Covent Garden, and his mastery of the symphony orchestra is recognised as fully throughout Europe and America as it is in London, Liverpool, Leeds, Manchester and Birmingham.

FOOT-AND-MOUTH DISEASE

OUTBREAK IN YORKSHIRE.

The British Ministry of Agriculture issued the following last night:—

An outbreak of foot-and-mouth disease was confirmed to-day on premises at Sheffield. The total stock on the farm consists of one bull, fourteen cows and fourteen pigs, of which seven cows were found affected with the disease. One of the affected cows was moved on to the farm from premises at Oughty Bridge on the 14th inst., and it is thought that disease may possibly have been introduced by this animal, but further inquiries are being made with a view to discover definitely the source of infection.

The slaughter of the stock has been authorised, and the Ministry has made an order imposing restrictions on the movement of animals within a radius of about fifteen miles from the infected place.

ROBBERIES AT KINGSBRIDGE.

RAID ON TELEGRAPH OFFICE.

Three men, one of whom wore a handkerchief over the lower part of his face and carried a Webley revolver, entered the telegraph office at the Kingsbridge Railway Terminus, Dublin, last night. The clerk on duty was ordered to face the wall and was searched for the keys of the office safe. The raiders failed to get them, and had to contents themselves with £2 10s. 7d., which they took from an open drawer.

SNOW STOPS RAILWAY TRAFFIC.

MADRID, Thursday.

Intense cold prevails throughout Castille, and heavy falls of snow are reported from the North-West.

Railway traffic has been completely stopped in the Asturias, and no mails are being forwarded.

LATE NEWS.

LORD BALFOUR IN JERUSALEM.

THE ARAB ATTITUDE.

The Times observes in the course of a leading article:—It is unfortunate, but not unnatural, that Lord Balfour's visit to Jerusalem has had the effect of arousing the Arab population to a bitter demonstration of its feelings towards the Jews, on the one hand, and the British Administration on the other. It would be infinitely easier to sympathise with the present attitude of the Arab leaders if the history of events since 1917 did not show a continuous policy of sulky obstruction to every practical effort made by those most anxious to preserve the rights of the race. If the Arab has few legitimate grounds for complaint on the score of his political freedom, he has still fewer when he comes to base his grievances on allegations of social and economic oppression. On Tuesday we published an article from a correspondent who has recently returned from Palestine, pointing out the present tendency of the Jewish immigrant to drift towards an urban settlement like Tel Aviv rather than to go out on the land. Perhaps, the most significant point in his argument was that over seventy-nine *per cent* of the Zionist immigrants last year were recruited from Eastern Europe. If there is not to be a recurrence of the Moslem disturbances of 1921, it is most desirable that this type, which is drawn mainly from the industrial classes, should be excluded from the already over-crowded urban areas and diverted to the farm lands.

The increasing tendency of Jew and Arab to do business with each other, proceeds *The Times*, is a hopeful sign, in a situation that is infinitely more difficult than any one—least of all Lord Balfour himself—would have imagined possible in 1917. It is far too much to expect that amid the passions inflamed by Lord Balfour's visit to Jerusalem any progress is likely to be made towards a final settlement. Nevertheless, it would be singularly unfortunate if the flood of reckless statements that seems to have been let loose in celebration of the event should destroy, in the eyes of the British people, the proper perspective of the state of Palestine as it stands to-day.

DISARMAMENT.

AMERICAN CONFERENCE PLAN.

In a message from Washington yesterday, *The Times* Correspondent says:—Yesterday afternoon Mr. Borah, Chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee of the Senate, discussed with President Coolidge the President's proposals for a Disarmament Conference. He expressed approval of the President's intentions, although he himself is still sceptical over the outcome. Senator Borah believes that only organised public opinion can force general disarmament, and that such organised opinion does not yet exist in Europe. Russia, in Mr. Borah's view, holds the key to world disarmament, and, until the United States recognises the Soviet Government and establishes closer contact with it, it is impossible to expect progress towards the creation of a world-wide public opinion in favour of disarmament.

The second stumbling block in Mr. Borah's opinion, is the French demand for security, both for herself and for her Eastern Allies, which prevents French acquiescence in any land disarmament proposals at the present time. In the circumstances, Great Britain would probably not agree to make further Naval reductions, which would place her in an inferior position to those of the overwhelming French military power. Nevertheless, Mr. Borah welcomed the idea of the President's going ahead with the preliminaries for a Naval Conference, because he believes that it is only by means of discussions, which will make the obstacles clear and the consequent growth throughout the world of a sentiment favourable to disarmament, that success can eventually be achieved.

TREASURY LOAN LEAKAGE.

The *Daily Express* Lobby Correspondent says:—The question is being raised whether there was a leakage of the Treasury plans for the 5 p.c. Conversion Loan of thirty million pounds announced on Wednesday. It is alleged that many hours before the official announcement was made the news was known and traded on in the City, with the result that there were many "bear" transactions. The Treasury would not deny the statement last night, but indicated that inquiry was being made.

LONDON VIEWS ON "THE NATIONAL."

EXPERTS GIVE REASONS FOR THEIR TIPS.

"Augur," in the *Sporting Life and Sportsman*, writes:—

My information is that Max, a really nice horse and favourably weighted, would have been considered to hold a much brighter chance in another fortnight's time, and appearances are that the dependable fencer Ballymacroy will be the best this time from across the George Chamelion. I am told on excellent authority that the latter's lack at Cheltenham could have been much better. In anticipation of anticipate the judge's verdict I shall place them thus—Silvo 1, Fly Mask 2, Sprig 3. With ordinary luck Old Tay Bridge should also be well in the hunt at the finish. Latest information is favourable to Ardeen, and I pass it on for the benefit of those who may have a fancy for him.

HARTIGAN'S STABLE.

"J. M. D." in the *Public News*, writes:—

I am going to pin my faith to experience by selecting Old Tay Bridge, who in Jack Anthony will have a man "who knows" on his back. Hartigan's horse is in better shape now than he has ever been before. I have even heard it said that his trainer is hopeful of repeating the feat accomplished in Rubio's year when first and second came from the same stable, famous Sirrah for Hartigan's other candidate. In such a year as this when the quality of the competitors is believed to be below the average, Patsey F. might easily plod into a place, if he does not actually win. He is being warmly supported to do so.

SILVO AND THROWN IN.

The Racing Correspondent of the *Star*:—Fly Mask (second), Silvo (third), Drifter (fourth), Sergeant Murphy (fifth), and Ballinode (eighth) finished last year. Fly Mask has gone up 15lb. in the handicap, Silvo 5lb., and Ballinode 16lb. Races over two miles and smaller fences than those at Aintree have little or no bearing on what is likely to happen at Aintree. Fly Mask was unplaced to Dudley in a two miles at Dunstall, but earlier he scored over three miles at Manchester. Silvo is a perfect fencer, but the doubt about him is stamina. Fred Rees is aware of this possible weakness, and believes the horse can be ridden carefully to save the little finishing speed necessary. Drifter, a safe jumper, fell at Hurst Park through an accident to another horse, and is one of the few in the race that—if no escapes interference—will get round.

Sergeant Murphy, the winner two years ago, is probably too old, while Ballinode, who finished very tired last year, is believed by her trainer to have retained her jumping ability, and improved in staying power.

The best of the Newmarket lot will probably be Drifter and Double Chance, the latter of whom has won his last five races. Thrown In has two failed since he won early in the year, but is a likely outsider. Silvo may win, and Thrown In should get a place.

FLY MASK.

"The Picquet," in the *Westminster Gazette*, says:—

Fly Mask is far from being a great 'chaser, but this is a year in which many of the horses are either of doubtful soundness or questionable stamina, and the fact that he was second last year when ridden by a jockey who had only just come out of hospital gives him about the best credentials as a potential winner. Major Doyle, who rides him, thinks Fly Mask was never as well as he is now, and has a real feeling of faith that he will win.

On balance the probabilities favour Fly Mask. I would like to couple Old Tay Bridge with him, but as a positive selection must be made, I choose Fly Mask to win outright. As a pair at longish prices worth supporting each way I name Double Chance and Ardeen.

MARKETING OF IRISH PRODUCE.

CRITICAL STAGE REACHED.

BETTER STANDARDS NECESSARY.

SOME POINTS FOR PRODUCERS.

"The bedrock of our future in the markets of Great Britain must be classified and guaranteed products, supported by well-considered and sound marketing organisation. Given this and an increasing production; no power on earth can stop the agricultural prosperity of Ireland." So declared Mr. R. A. Whyte, F.R.S.S., Chief Trade and Produce Officer in Great Britain, in the course of a lecture before the Irish Farmers' Union last night on "The Position of Our Agricultural Products on the British Markets."

It was, he said, a waste of time, energy and national reputation to sell the British merchant a first quality article, and deliver him a second quality article. He did not say that this existed to any great extent, but it existed to a sufficient extent to discredit us, and it damaged those who conducted their business along business lines.

PRODUCTION ABROAD.

His considered opinion was that they had reached the most critical stage in the history of their industry. Their efforts in the immediate future would determine their position within the lifetime of those present. The intensive methods of production and the organisation that had been brought to bear on the marketing of Continental and Colonial produce had relegated them in regard to most of their products to a position where they had no reasonable hope of successfully competing with the progressive agricultural countries of the world. It was under such auspices that the products of many of their competitors were placed before the British public. The lesson to be learned from all this was to organise for the production of high quality standard products; to ship them promptly and economically, and they must organise to sell to better advantage than at present.

He emphasised the importance of standard quality. Not only must they work to standard, but they should aim at the narrowest varying limits within these standards.

"The fact that we must get clearly into our minds," said Mr. Whyte, "is that the distribution of Irish products, or, indeed, of any agricultural products, in Great Britain at present is an entirely different proportion to that of even a dozen years ago. The condition and manner of distribution have entirely changed. Great buying organisations have given up, and great distributing organisations have linked themselves in many cases with these purchasing bodies. Whatever view you take as to the desirability of this, you must recognise the reality of it, and its influence upon Irish agriculture. In other words, you have to consider whether you will accept or reject it."

Dealing with the position of our competitors, Mr. Whyte said that the great British Dominions had, by organisation in production, improved marketing methods and control of temperature in transit, overcome many of the disabilities of being so far removed from their markets. Neither the English distributor nor consumer was unmindful of the value and importance of Irish agricultural produce in the food requirements of his country. He was too shrewd not to recognise it, but he was equally conscious of his value to us. Even when full allowance was made for certain defects and anomalies in transit, they could, for example, put their butter and eggs on the English market in about two or three days, as compared with two months in the case of Australia and New Zealand, and at about 25 per cent. of the cost. "If it is by all means persist in our representations, and even agitation, to remedy transport and marketing disabilities, but let us also keep a sense of proportion as to our advantages over competitors, and commercialise these advantages."

A GROWING CONFIDENCE.

"There is," he went on, "a growing confidence in Great Britain in the future of Irish agriculture, and, indeed, of Ireland. That confidence is worth a great deal to you. I appeal to you to utilise it, and to show to the world that we are capable of greater things that we have heretofore been credited with."

It was generally accepted in Great Britain that the consumption of the essential foods per head of the population, i.e., butter, bacon, eggs, etc., was never higher than at present. Apart from this and the trade revival in Great Britain, their prospects rested largely with themselves. All the indications as to the future of the British market were favourable. He believed that trade conditions generally in Great Britain were stabilising, and that there was a period of prosperity ahead. Irish produce had many advantages, apart from proximity, over their competitors in the British markets. It was not a question of looking for a market: the market awaited them.

THE DISCUSSION.

Mr. W. J. Fahy, in complimenting the lecturer, stated that the country was bound to be backward if it produced goods without knowing what the market required. With regard to standard quality, he said that the best butter produced in this country was being exported in kiels and sold as Danish. Ireland got no credit for it. Under the new legislation Irish produce should be well able to meet its competitors.

Mr. M'Keuna, T.D., alluded to a thriving pork trade between Ireland and Great Britain being killed by improper methods of marketing and high transit rates.

Colonel C. M. Gibbon said that Canadian cattle imported by England had increased from 40,000 in 1923 to 58,000 in 1924. He had heard a Birmingham butcher say that he preferred Canadian to Irish cattle, and at Birkenhead the Canadians got the preference. Why, he asked, did Aberdeen-killed beef bring more in London than Irish beef killed in Birkenhead? Because, he said, the public wanted small joints.

Mr. Gorey, T.D., commented on the possibilities of poultry farming, especially in the West. Our system of rearing cattle, he contended, was wrong. A great improvement would, he hoped, be effected by the Live Stock Breeding Act. They should try to improve the quality, and keep on doing so until every bull that they had was passed for a licence.

Mr. Conor H

INSURANCE ON A FORD VAN.

DUBLIN MERCHANT'S CASE IN LONDON.

IMPORTANT JUDGMENT.

A case of importance, having regard to the law since the establishment of the Irish Free State in the case of judgments obtained in the Irish Courts, was heard in the King's Bench Division, London, yesterday, before Mr. Justice Sankey.

The action was one in which the plaintiff, Mr. Charles Edward Richardson, merchant, of Kenilworth square, Dublin, sued the General Assurance Association, Ltd., of Piccadilly, London, for a sum of £519 5s. 3d., an amount recovered by the plaintiff in the Irish King's Bench Division under a policy of insurance against third party risks in connection with a Ford motor van.

PLAINTIFF'S CASE.

Mr. Lipsett, in opening for the plaintiffs, said that the defendants carried on business in London, and judgment was asked against them upon foot of a judgment obtained against the defendants in the King's Bench Division in Dublin. Since 1868, when the Judicature Extension Act was passed in Ireland, a judgment obtained in the Irish Courts had merely to be filed in England, and it would be good in that country also. In the same way a judgment obtained in the English courts would be good in Ireland. Since the case of Whateley in the Court of Appeal (K.B. 1924) the Judicature Extension Act was no longer applicable in England. For the purposes of this case, counsel said that, even treated as a foreign judgment, it was clearly established that this judgment was enforceable. The plaintiff was insured with the defendant company in respect of a Ford van against third party risks, and in August, 1923, the plaintiff's motor van collided with a motor bicycle belonging to a man named Driscoll, in Dublin. Driscoll brought an action against the plaintiff and recovered £300 damages and £146 costs in the Dublin King's Bench Court.

The defence in that case was conducted by the defendants. After this the defendant company repudiated all liability under the policy. On January 10th, 1924, an order was made in the Irish Courts giving Mr. Richardson liberty to serve a writ on the defendants outside the jurisdiction of the Irish Court, and this was served on the defendants in London in the same month. The defendants appeared on these proceedings, but without prejudice, and subsequently moved to set the writ aside on the grounds that they were outside jurisdiction, and they further set up that according to the policy arbitration was a condition precedent to any action.

In February, 1924, this motion was heard in the King's Bench Division, Dublin, when the insurance company asked that the writ should be set aside on the grounds that they were outside jurisdiction, and asked for a stay pending arbitration. The Divisional Court hearing the motion—Lord Chief Justice Molony and Mr. Justice Dodd—gave a reserved judgment in March. They refused the defendants' application to set aside the writ on the ground that they were satisfied that the contract was made in Ireland. On the second part of the motion, that there should be a stay pending arbitration, in the exercise of their discretion, they refused to stay proceedings, but left that point open to the defendants to be pleaded in their defence. Masters then proceeded in the King's Bench Division in Dublin. The defendants put in an appearance, and were given ten days in which to file their defence. The defendants did not do this, and the plaintiff's solicitors went to the solicitors acting for the defendants in Dublin, thinking that they had overlooked the date, and the defendants' solicitors then informed those for the plaintiff that they had been instructed to take no further notice of the matter.

The action came on for hearing in the Dublin King's Bench Division on April 15th, 1924, when judgment was entered for the plaintiff in default of defence for the amount claimed with costs, and the plaintiff was now suing for the sum of that judgment. This was, said counsel, the first case of the kind in this country since the establishment of the Irish Free State. The defendants now said that the writ was out of jurisdiction, and, further, that the decision was against natural justice.

Mr. Doughty, for the defendants, admitted that he could not contest this first point, but he submitted that the decision of the Irish Court was contrary to natural justice. The Irish Courts, he said, had they known all the facts, would not have allowed judgment to go by default. It was clearly stated in Clause 12 of the policy that any dispute arising between the parties must be the subject of arbitration as a condition precedent. This was before the Court, and in such a circumstance the Court should not have given a judgment in the plaintiff's favour by default. The smallest consideration would have shown that such a clause was fatal to any judgment by default.

THE JUDGMENT.

His Lordship gave judgment in the plaintiff's favour for the amount claimed, with costs. He said with regard to the first point, that as the defendants had not submitted themselves to the jurisdiction of the Irish Court, they were not entitled to succeed. With regard to their second point, that the decision of the Irish Court was so contrary to natural justice, English law and public policy, that the English Court should not give effect to it, having regard to the arbitration clause in the policy, he said that the Irish Divisional Court, in a considered judgment, while refusing to grant a stay, had said that they would allow this point as to arbitration to be pleaded by the defendants in their defence. Had the Irish judges done something so palpably wrong that the English Court ought to interfere with their discretion? It was impossible for his lordship to say that they had acted in such a way as to perversely disregard the rights of the defendants, and in his lordship's opinion the defendants entirely failed on this, their second ground of defence. He did not think that it could be said that the learned judges here did something which was contrary to English justice and perverse to English law. He thought just the opposite. They actually stated the defendants' rights, and said that they might take the point at the trial. In the circumstances, he must give judgment for the plaintiff for the amount claimed, with costs.

A stay was granted, on the money being brought into court in fourteen days.

HOOK OF HOLLAND WRECK.

Reuter's Correspondent at Amsterdam telegraphs that it is not likely that the Scots-Earle, the Rotterdam Lloyd steamer of 6,900 tons, which ran on to the North Pier at the Hook of Holland on March 4, will be refloated for some time. Difficulty is being experienced in making No. 2 hold watertight. The re-insurance rate on the vessel is 20 guineas per cent. During Tuesday night a watchman on board the ship fell overboard, and was carried away by the falling tide.

VICAR KILLED BY OIL VAN.

A sad fatal accident occurred at Lode, a village about six miles from Cambridge, yesterday afternoon, when the vicar, the Rev. W. F. Rillie, was knocked down and killed by an oil delivery van. The accident occurred within a few yards of the vicarage.

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DUBLIN AND THE PROVINCES.

DUBLIN.

Mercantile Association.—At a meeting of the Dublin Mercantile Association yesterday the following were elected hon. officers for the current year:—President, Alfred Feeny; vice-president, R. S. Glanville; hon. treasurer, Dr. James A. Walsh; hon. secretary, Frank A. Lowe. The President, with Mr. J. C. M. Esmonde, and the Secretary were appointed to attend the annual meeting of the National Association of Trade Protection Societies, London, on Tuesday and Wednesday, the 12th and 13th, and the Chair on Thursday.

Grand Assize.—At Bantry Sessions, this week, the grand assize was empanelled, and broke out on the accessory Emerald Isle at Drogheda, dying in Kingstown Harbour yesterday at 3.15 a.m. The harbour pilot went on board and found the crew asleep. The fire was extinguished before much damage had been done.

Passengers R. and L. Line, via Liverpool.—

ARRIVALS.—Lady Henry, O. W. Bird, W. Rice, L. Tate, Miss Tate, Mrs. Tate, Russell, Blackledge, Mrs. Wright, Howley, Miss Wade, Colonel Cosgrave, International Cross-Country Police party.

DEPARTURES.—Viscountess Powerscourt, Captain Nutting, Captain King-Harman, Mr. McCann, Mr. Justice Wylie, Major and Mrs. Trotter Boyne, Surgeon-General Keogh, Mrs. Dr. Gill, Professor Lyle, Miss Kilkelly, Dr. Kirkpatrick, Colonel and Mrs. Rogers, Dr. J. K. Murphy, M. J. Judd, T. Lacy, Dr. McDaniel, T. Ridgeway, F. Hayes, Dr. J. McCormack, G. F. McCarthy, M. Vincey, T. D'Arcy, Dr. T. Donnelly, J. G. O'Connor, Mr. and Mrs. Silcock, J. J. Ryan, T. Hassell, Myles Lawlor, T. Baxter, Dr. Croly, R. F. Goodman, Mrs. Goodman, J. A. Jackson, E. Ryan, T. A. Parsley, Captain F. Finch, T. Taylor, F. J. Feeney, J. J. Yaky, T. Phillips, T. Bryan, J. C. Bentley, J. Manley, D. Malone, Mrs. Marshall, Miss Furney, Mrs. T. Burns, Miss E. Byrne, M. J. O'Reilly, Miss Hayes, Miss Manley, Dr. J. Farrell, P. Monahan, E. Austin, J. Daly, D. Bolger, J. O'Dorcythie, A. Craigie, Alex. Craigie, John McGrath, John Smyth, P. Reilly, J. Brooks, H. P. McGeagagart, T. S. Ringwood, Mr. and Mrs. J. Lemon, F. Fee, E. J. Murphy, Captain Gordon, T. Gordan, T. Counihan, J. Glynn, F. Stanton, Mr. Lacey, W. O'Connell, P. Lacey, J. P. Cuffe, G. F. Taylor, J. Allen, Owen Tighe, J. Tighe.

CONNAUGHT.

Alleged Cattle Stealing.—On Wednesday, at Boyle, James and Timothy Conlon, of Carrowbaun, Co. Roscommon, and Michael J. McGourty, of Bovey, Co. Sligo, were committed for trial on bail on charges of maiming two cattle, the property of James Conlon, of Rover. Jas. Conlon said that at 5 o'clock on the morning of January 17th last he saw the three accused men leave his cow shed. He found that a portion of the tail of a heifer had been cut off; hair had been cut from the tail of another. He could not sell the cattle as a result.

Urban Council Reduces Wages.—Ballinasloe Urban Council has reduced the wages of its road workers from 10s. to 9s. a week and the officials' salaries have been reduced by 10 per cent.

LEINSTER.

Rathdrney Infirmary to be Closed.—At the meeting of Rathdrney, Co. Dublin, Guardians yesterday intimation was received from the Minister of Local Government of his intention to close the Fingal Hospital as from April 1 next. The patients would be removed to the South Dublin Union Hospital. The Chairman said that the Board was certainly "out" for economy, but it would not sacrifice economy to humanity. A member asked if anybody imagined that the Local Government Department was taking this action in the interests of the poor. These people, he said, could know no more about the poor than he did about his "coachman that never cracked a whip." Another member said that the poor were greatly against removal and the ratepayers did not want the hospital closed; even if there was a little extra cost they were willing to bear it. The meeting passed a resolution of protest.

Dublin-Cork Road.—Carlow Urban Council has been assured by the Local Government Ministry that no steps will be taken to make the Dublin-Cork road, via Maryborough, the main trunk, instead of the road which runs through Carlow and Kilkenny, until the Carlow Council has had an opportunity of stating its case.

White Gloves at Drogheda.—The judge at Drogheda yesterday was presented with white gloves, as there was no criminal business. The Sub-Sheriff said that during the last twenty-five years at three Courts out of four there had been no criminal business.

New Hall for Dundalk.—Dundalk Urban Council has received permission to sell a plot of land in the demesne to the St. Patrick's Total Abstinence Society. The society intends to build a temperance hall on the plot.

Woman's Heart Stolen.—Our Sligo Correspondent says that two men, purporting to be Free Staters searching for arms, entered the house of Mary Bradley, Esker, Ferbane, last Sunday night, and robbed her of £190, which she kept in a tin.

Boy Killed by Motor Lorry.—John Blackwater, Castleman street, Athlone, was fatally injured on Monday, and died next day, on charge of causing the death of Desmond Quinn, aged 5, by knocking him down with his motor lorry, which, he was driving. At the inquest into the death of the boy the jury returned a verdict of accidental death. Deceased lived in Dublin.

Tuberculosis Scheme.—King's County Tuberculosis Committee has asked the Local Government Board to reconsider its decision to cut off the matron and a nurse in the Tullamore tuberculosis dispensary. It was held that the assistance would be sufficient.

MUNSTER.

Dog Chained Five Inches.—Cork Borough Court, on Monday, convicted Timothy Cunningham, Quaker Grotto street, for keeping an unlicensed dangerous Kerry Blue dog in his dwelling-house. A mastiff-minder said that the dog was a source of danger to his children and himself. The animal had a chain five inches long. Defendant said he got the dog for his children. He had no idea it was dangerous. He would have to take the dog to Kerry. The defendant said that there had been many instances of dogs with chains five inches long.

Cork Corporation Finance.—Our Cork Correspondent says that the Sanitary District Hospital authorities cannot get the laundry done locally. Last year they washed clothes and had to be dried by the wards, but now the washerwomen refuse to do the work. The Local Government Department has plans under consideration for the establishment of a laundry at the institution. Limerick laundries refuse to deal with clothes from a hospital. The Board of Health offer £1 a week and rations to a woman who will do the washing.

ULSTER.

No Loans for Roads.—Monaghan County Council had decided to grant loans to enable farmers affected by the failure of the potato crop to buy seed, but the Local Government Department has pointed out that in the absence of special legislation the Council has no authority for making loans on the security of the rates for the supply of seeds (Mr. Shall, formerly Tyrone Constabulary).

Thefts.—There has been no fresh outbreak of thefts of the crops in County Monaghan last season as would warrant the Government in authorising borrowing of the nature indicated. A deputation went to Dublin to urge that there was a serious shortage of seed in the county, and that there were areas in which the people had neither seeds nor the means to procure them. The deputation's mission was unsuccessful.

Smuggling Case.—Robert McClure, Letterkenny, was fined £10 at Lifford on Wednesday for attempting to smuggle several pounds of tobacco from Northern Ireland. The defendant travelled by Strabane-Letterkenny train, and said that he had nothing to declare. The tobacco, which was ordered to be forfeited, was found in a corner of the carriage seat.

Monaghan's Civic Share.—When the Donegal County Council, by five votes to four, declined to pass a resolution condemning the Treason Bill, a member remarked—"Close enough, and nearly upset the Government."

Threatened by Toy Balloon.—Gerrard Finlay, aged 9, Ballybay, Co. Monaghan, has died from suffocation, the result of a toy balloon. The boy ran out of a bazaar in the town with the balloon in his throat and collapsed. First aid was given, but he was suffocated.

Mrs. Duffy, Ice Block, Keogh Barracks, Dublin, was admitted yesterday morning to Steevens's Hospital, suffering from severe burns on the arms and body, caused by her clothes catching fire.

NORTHERN IRELAND.

Barrel of Porter in Court.—Patrick Crilly, Joseph McClelland, Patrick Moran, James Bennett and William McConnell were committed for trial on a charge of stealing a barrel of porter. A policeman said that he visited the Olde Albert Eoot-ball and Recreation Club, Albert street, Belfast, where he found the prisoners and a bucket containing porter. One of the men kicked the bucket over and spilled the contents, some of which was mopped up and produced in court. The club was in the upstairs portion of the premises, and under the barrel was found a barrel of porter. A. Day, publican, Short Strand, said that he received a consignment of liquor, which was left outside his premises. Later he found that a barrel was missing. The barrel was produced in court.

Army Camp Shooting Accident.—Constable Samuel Heaney, stationed at Orney, Co. Tyrone, was accidentally shot in the back at the camp on Tuesday. The constable picked up a revolver, which he believed to be unloaded, and accidentally discharged the weapon.

DENNISTOUN CASE.

JUDGMENT AS TO COSTS RESERVED.

Mr. St. John Field, junior counsel for Mrs. Dennistoun, in concluding his argument, yesterday asked for judgment for the plaintiff for £5,482 and for the general costs of the action. He asked for costs upon all the issues upon which the plaintiff had succeeded upon all the questions put to the jury. He also asked the judge to make a special ruling that all the costs which were incurred by reason of the allegations of collusion were clearly the plaintiff's, and to say that the defendant was not entitled to any costs upon any issue whatever.

Mr. Justice Hill replied—"The points at issue between the parties are important, and I am indebted to counsel for their arguments. The question of costs, too, is a very serious one. I shall therefore consider my judgment and deliver it at a later date."

Almost every morning during the present week of Colonel Dennistoun's case a few minutes' conversation with Mr. Norman Birkett, K.C., her leading counsel, took place between Mrs. Dennistoun and her friend Mrs. Dennistoun, who, from time to time in conversation with Sir George Lewis, her solicitor.

BELFAST SHIPBUILDING.

LAUNCH OF OIL CARRIER.

The Invercoe, the second of four shallow draft oil vessels recently ordered by Messrs. Andrew Weir and Company from Messrs. Harland and Wolff, Ltd., Belfast, for service in Venezuelan waters, was successfully launched yesterday. The Inverlago, the first of the group, underwent her trials on Tuesday last, and left Belfast Harbour yesterday.

The P. and O. liner Rawal Pindi, which was launched by Messrs. Harland and Wolff, Ltd., at Greenock, will be towed to Belfast—arriving, probably, to-day—to have the machinery placed in position. The engines are being constructed in Messrs. Harland and Wolff's Belfast engine shops.

BIOLOGICAL ASPECTS OF SOCIAL ORGANISM.

"The Social Organisation, viewed as a growing Organism, with new Hypothesis as to its Nature," was the subject of a paper read by Mr. Callaghan McCarthy at last night's meeting of the Statistical and Social Inquiry Society, in Plunket House, Dublin. He said that social science regarded nations and other social groups as organisms. Such groups were subject to organic growth and change, and might be improved by the methods of biological science. When writing a book in 1905, there occurred to him the resemblances between the individual nervous system and the social governmental system. No authority had definitely envisaged the social organism as comprising property and persons. This constituted a new working hypothesis advanced by him, and its special practical value was that it enabled existing biological knowledge to be brought to bear upon the study and improvement of social organisms and social forms, such as industries, factories, etc. He concluded that social science might have its inventions equally with mechanical science, and might be so evolved as to secure in human affairs fifty per cent. improvements in efficiency and corresponding results in economy.

The Belgian sculptor, Baron Thomas Vincotte, has died at the age of 75.

DUBLIN DISTRICT COURT.

COLLECTING FOR CONVENTS.

CHARGE OF FALSE PRETENCES

(BEFORE MR. COLLINS.)

A well-dressed young woman named Margaret Ainsella, described as of no fixed abode, was remanded for a week on a charge of obtaining by false pretences money and goods from people in various parts of the city and county.

Sergeant O'Neill stated that accused had claimed that she was collecting for the Poor Clare Convent, Donnybrook, and also for the Convent, Marino, square.

Constable Cassidy, Donnybrook, in his evidence, stated that the nuns never sent out anyone to collect funds for them.

MOTOR SPEED LIMIT.

Several motorists, who were summoned for exceeding the speed limit, were fined as follow:—

Mrs. Catherine Heycock, Waterloo place (20 miles an hour at Lower Leeson street), £2 10s.; Wilfred H. Lamb, Blundell, Hollycross (27 miles at Tyrconnel road), £2; William Bernard South, Richmond street (dangerous driving at Camden street), £1; Thomas W. Clayton, Cheverstone, Howth, Clondalkin (26 miles at Tyrconnel road), £3; and James Bergin, Fraochbawn, Kildare (24 miles at Tyrconnel road), £2.

USED ANOTHER'S LICENCE.

George Thompson, Burgh quay, was fined £2 for fraudulently using on his motor car a licence issued in respect of another car.

NEW YORK'S MASTODON.

SKELETON UNEARTHED IN CITY STREET.

NEW YORK, Thursday.

Part of the skeleton of a mastodon has been unearthed in Dyckman street, New York City, by workmen digging in a cellar. The character of the bones has been definitely established to-day by scientists of the American Museum of Natural History. Several days ago one of the labourers working on the excavation found a strange tooth, six inches long, and proportionately broad. He showed it to a passing milkman, who took it away. Other teeth were found, and they, too, were carried away by curio collectors. A pair of jawbones was then discovered. In the crowd that gathered to inspect the find was a youth who remembered having seen similar bones in a museum, and it sent a representative to the spot. The expert realised at a glance the importance of the discovery. All the bones have not yet been disinterred, but it is expected that the full skeleton will be found. These are the only mastodon bones ever found in New York or its vicinity.—(The Times Correspondent.)

Admiral of the Fleet Earl Jellicoe, Lady Jellicoe and family arrived at Plymouth yesterday afternoon on board the R.M.S.P. steamship Moultan, and proceeded on the ship to London.

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HOSPITAL TAX.

PROVOST SUGGESTS A WAY TO RAISE FUNDS.

THE EYE AND EAR HOSPITAL'S NEW WING.

The funds available under the will of the late Mrs. Harvey Lewis, which were awarded to the Royal Victoria Eye and Ear Hospital by the High Courts recently, will enable this hospital to build and equip a new wing to hold 30 additional beds.

This statement was made by Sir George Roche, the President, at the annual meeting of the hospital in Adelaide road, Dublin, yesterday. He pointed out, however, that they would have to provide for the up-keep of such beds, for more nurses, etc., which would mean an expenditure of about £3,000 annually. They had no doubt that the necessary funds for such purpose would be available.

He suggested that the financial report for the year was not as satisfactory as they could wish. In the previous year the deficiency was only £63, while for the past year it was £1,000. He was sure that when this annual report came to the charitable public that they would not appeal in vain.

The annual report, read by Major Arthur Wheeler, showed that 1,702 patients were admitted into the hospital for an average of 89.59 days each, while in the out-patient department 9,119 new patients were registered, and 3,356 returned for further treatment. The total ordinary income for the year amounted to £7,990, and fell short of the expenditure by £2,836, and the Council had been obliged to allocate the legacies left during the year to the current account.

In comparison with the preceding year showed a reduction of nearly £2,000 in the income.

Chief Justice Kennedy, K.C., said that the work of the out-patient department was carried on at a very small expenditure per head.

The Provost of Trinity College said that it was a national hospital, and, therefore, it appealed to the public in a way that no local hospital could do. It would be impossible in small hospitals throughout the country to do the kind of work that was accomplished in specialists and by a highly scientific staff.

In the second place, they were told that two hospitals were amalgamated in that place. The movements for amalgamation of Dublin hospitals was, he thought, checked possibly for a generation. It took some time to get people to give up old associations, and hospitals sometimes ran on for a generation after amalgamation was necessary. The third place they would see that the total number of patients for last year was 1,702, and the subscriptions from the parliamentary grant amounted to a little over £300.

By far the largest source of income was derived from payments on behalf of patients. Over 50,000 came from or on account of private patients, and 30,000 from payments by patients in the out-patients' department.

It was quite clear that the financial position of the institution was not good. It was easy to say that the public ought to make up the deficit, but it was not easy to see how it could be done, because people who contributed generously had left the country and in other cases were unable to contribute on the former scale.

He was not sure that the time had not come for some kind of a general tax to be imposed on the public for the benefit of national institutions of that kind. How were they going to pick out the people who were best able to give?

Theatre-goers had to pay tax. What about people who kept motor cars? It might be said that a man who kept a motor car ought to be able to contribute something to the upkeep of great hospitals. He did not know if it would be practicable, but it was sufficiently equitable. He did not believe that the deficit in that and other hospitals could be made up in voluntary subscriptions for many years. It took some time to teach people to give.

Mr. J. F. Murphy, Governor of the Bank of Ireland, said that he approached a few friends, and owing to their generosity he was glad to say that he was able to give Major Wheeler a cheque for £50, which would go towards making up the deficiency in the year's private subscriptions. He asked those present to make a special canvass during the next few weeks with a view to helping the institution.

Sir William Thompson proposed a vote of thanks to those who assisted the hospital, and referred to the economic manner in which the hospital was run.

Mr. R. C. B. Maunsell seconded the resolution, which passed unanimously.

On the motion of Major-General Dallas Edge, seconded by Mr. F. V. Gordon, Messrs. Cribbin, Gaffikey and Co. were appointed auditors.

CIVIL SERVICE.

COMMISSION'S FUNCTIONS.

In the Dáil yesterday Mr. Blythe, Minister for Finance, made the following statement:—I desire to make a statement with reference to the Civil Service Regulation Act, 1924. When moving the second reading of the Bill I stated briefly the purposes and arrangements under Clause 5 (2) (a) of the Bill, that the Civil Service Commissioners would have to be satisfied as to the public interest in relation to certain appointments should be made without examinations. I do not now think that statement was accurate in every respect, and the Government have taken advice as to its legal construction. The advice which they have received is that the question of public interest is one entirely for the Minister for Finance, and not the Minister in charge of the particular departments concerned, and that the Commissioners are not competent to decide or entertain any such question. When the two Ministers have decided the question of public interest, the function of the Commissioners arises.

That function is to consider the qualifications of the person proposed to be appointed as to age, health, character, knowledge, and ability, and to grant their certificate of qualification to him on such evidence as they may consider satisfactory. The Commissioners, under the section, have a discretion as to granting the certificate, but in exercising that discretion they are confined to considerations of the qualifications in respect of age, health, character, knowledge and ability of the person proposed to be appointed. The Executive Council are considering whether in the circumstances the section should be amended, and if so in what way. I think it only fair, in view of my specific statement on the second reading of the Bill, that I should inform the House of the position.

THE BIBLIOGRAPHICAL SOCIETY.

At a meeting of the Bibliographical Society in the Royal Irish Academy House, Dawson street, Dublin, yesterday, Mr. E. R. McC. Dix, M.R.I.A., contributed further notes on the "Hibernia Dominica." He said that some additional information bearing on the printing of this famous work had lately been brought to his notice. Mr. James Coleman had drawn his attention to the postscript in a printed work, entitled, "Epitaphs in St. Canice's Cathedral, Kilkenny," and therein it was stated expressly that the famous work was printed by Crofton, a printer in Kilkenny. But the only known specimen of the latter's work was in a play called "Socrates." It would rather seem that Crofton had obtained, by loan or purchase, founts of type the same as that used by George Falkner and John Exshaw.

Mr. Dix traced the subject so as to lead him to the belief that the famous "Hibernia Dominica" was probably printed in Dublin and that Crofton "had some hand or part in it." He doubted whether it was printed either in Kilkenny or on the Continent.

"NOT UNDER CONTROL" IN THE CHANNEL.

Lloyd's agent at Dungeness telegraphs that the London steamer, British Princess, passed west of the station yesterday with "not under control" balls flying.

[The British Princess, 7,000 tons, is owned by the British Tanker Co., Ltd., and left the Tyne on Wednesday for Aberdeen.]

The Prime Minister, Riza Khan, has opened the first wireless station to be erected in Persia.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

FREE STATE EXPENDITURE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

Sir,—We may, I think, well congratulate our esteemed Minister of Finance on the marked reduction of ordinary expenditure, as indicated by the published estimates for the coming financial year. Looking broadly at the total figures, and without prejudice to any reasonable criticism as regards details, we see that, on the expenditure side of the State's accounts, at all events, we are moving distinctly in the right direction.

Possibly a rough and ready analysis of the main figures in comparison with the preceding year, and also with the year 1912-13 (under the British régime), may interest some of your readers. For the purpose of comparison with 1912-13, I subject to the twenty-six counties three-fourths of the total expenditure for all Ireland, which seems fairly liberal, and I also treat the pound sterling in 1912-13 as worth one pound sterling to-day, which seems approximately just. I have, therefore, the following interesting table, doubtless the first of its kind, which discloses the true facts:—

	Expenditure in 1924-5.	1925-6.	1912-13 (Irish Proportion Doubled).
ORDINARY.	(In Millions of Pounds).		
(a) Pensions, Grants, &c.	3.45	3.37	3.17
(b) Post Office (Great Britain)	2.87	2.88	2.34
(c) All other current expenditure	14.72	13.30	10.67
Total	23.05	20.55	16.18
EXTRAORDINARY.			
(d) Property Losses, Compensation, &c.	7.33	3.69	—
(e) Personal Injuries Compensation	.51	.03	—
(f) Superannuation and retiring allowances	1.72	1.76	—
Total	9.56	5.47	—
General Total	32.61	26.04	16.18

Let us explain this table and analyse some of the differences. Ordinary Expenditure—The cost of the forces of order in the country, including the still large Civic Guard, is about 2 millions above the 1912-13 figure (double). It includes three and one-third millions for the Army of which one-third of a million is for Army pensions alone, and about one and a half millions for the Civic Guard and Dublin Metropolitan Police—the latter figure being still large, despite the reductions. Figures, being of course approximate, are taken from all the best sources we can get, and are substantially correct. The "other current expenditure" shows a reduction as compared with 1924-5 of one and a quarter millions, and as compared with 1912-13 of two and a half millions.

Extraordinary Expenditure—In this category of the table we have taken the liberty of fully analysing the amounts included in the total figure of superannuities and retiring allowances. In so far as that figure includes immature pensions and special allowances, I think it might well be capitalised and thus spread over as possible commutedly, and thus spread over a period of fifty or sixty years, instead of the capital cost of charge of expense. The compensation figures appear to be curiously elastic, so far as estimates go.—Yours, etc.,

HENRY P. KENNEY.

Monkstown, Co. Dublin,
March 25th, 1925.

ABOLITION OF INCOME TAX.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

Sir,—I regret equally the withdrawal of Mr. Mackie from this controversy, and the cause. I hope that an early and entirely pleasant holiday will restore him to that health and vigour which we wish to all our friends, the opposition in this matter. Under the circumstances, I hold myself debarred from either argument or examination of the case put forward by him. I submit it at once to the country for their verdict.

Mr. Mackie's letter of last week stands on Friday, 20th March, and his letter of the 24th March. I submit that the statements that (1) income tax is strictly speaking an ideal tax; (2) it is capable of educating the payers of taxes in standards of honour; (3) every business man knows that it was not, and could not in the way it was assessed—to my own knowledge—and I say emphatically only, and have not, why one of them, been supported by evidence in these statements.

Again I thank Mr. Mackie for his courtesy and help in the matter.—Yours, etc.,

HUGO V. FLINN.

Dublin, March 26th, 1925.

THE SICK AND INSANE POOR.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

Sir,—The announcements of the personnel of the Commission on the relief of the sick and poor, including the insane poor, provided a surprise for people engaged in that particular sphere, who have given thought to the subject. The problem of the sick poor, physical and mental health of the poorer elements of the population is to be examined and reported on by this Commission. The problem of vagrancy, mental defectives, illegitimacy, delinquency and mental disease will naturally form a considerable and important part of the inquiry. Is there to be any provision made for the study, with expert medical and psychological facilities for treatment, will presumably come under review.

In other countries these matters are recognised as coming within the province of men who have given them special attention and have special experience in dealing with them. In this country a Commission set up to examine and report on these problems is composed of men, none of whom can be said to have specialised knowledge or intimate experience of them. Everybody will give them credit for sound common-sense, but this attribute will not make up for lack of that intimate knowledge that is born only of experience.

The Commission set up to reform the judiciary was not composed of ordinary citizens, but of specialists who were recognised authorities in matters legal. Experts from a foreign country were called in to examine the Shannon scheme. It seems strange that medical opinion should be practically ignored in matters of such vital importance, affecting the health and welfare of the more helpless elements in the community, and involving the expenditure of large sums of public money. The county hospitals, infirmaries and mental hospitals are the main institutions at present engaged in the relief of the sick and insane poor. Surely this Commission would inspire more public confidence if among its members were men recognised as having special experience and special knowledge of these services as at present constituted.

The continuous export of the best elements of our population has left us with a high proportion of defectives and degenerates. Economic conditions have aggravated poverty and, at the same time, created a general outcry for economy. There is the danger that over-zeal for economy may cause the Lindsay Commission to make recommendations which modern medical and scientific opinion would consider retrograde. Our whole public health service lags deplorably behind that of our neighbours. Let us hope that progress in the *Socratai* will not be backward.—Yours, etc.,

P. MORAN, M.B., D.P.M.

Mullingar, March 26th, 1925.

SHEEP AND DUCKS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

Sir,—Many references have been made recently in your columns to the ravages caused this year by fluke, and more than one naturalist has attributed it to the scarcity of wild birds, perhaps, of animals qualified to do so would give his opinion as to the value of the domestic duck as a destructive agent of the dreadful fluke-snail. There is little prospect of an increase in the numbers of wild birds; but any farmer, who wished it, in a few months from now could have a big flock of ducks guzzling over his fluke-ridden land.—Yours, etc.,

M. B. LOMASNEY.

Dunmore West, Co. Sligo.
March 26th, 1925.

ELECTION OF BELFAST HARBOUR COMMISSIONERS.

Messrs. S. Berkeley, W. E. Williamson, T. W. McMullan, W. McCalla, J. McCaughey, T. S. Wilson, and W. J. Jackson have been elected members of the Belfast Harbour Board.

U.S. MARKETS.

ANOTHER WEAK CLOSING.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.)

NEW YORK, Thursday.

Stocks opened firm, and there was a partial revival of the bullish sentiment of small covering. Later a slump took place in pivotal issues, Baldwin Locomotive falling 8 points, due to bear raids and rumours that an increase in the Federal Reserve rate is impending, an outcome of higher call money rates. Temporary strength of South-Western Railroads was a result of the placing of Wabash Preferred "A" on a 6 per cent. dividend basis. The market closed weak. Government Bonds firm; Railroad Bonds irregular. The day's sales totalled 1,350,000 shares.

Money on call closed firm at 4½ per cent. bid and 4¾ per cent. asked. Actual business ranged from 5½ to 4½ per cent., with the ruling rate 5½ per cent. The last loan was placed at 4½ per cent. Prime mercantile paper 3½ to 4 per cent. Sterling exchange firm. Silver ½c. higher at 67¾.

Gold to the value of 2,500,000 dollars has been engaged for export to Berlin.

Rise—Union Pacific Common, 4.

Falls—Atchison Topeka Preferred, Missouri Pacific, Northern Pacific Common, International Mercantile Marine Preferred and Anglo-American Oil Shares, 1; Baltimore and Ohio Common, Shell Ordinary and United States Rubber, 1½; Canadian Pacific, Chicago North-Western Ordinary, Southern Railway Shares and Pan-American Petroleum Ordinary, 1¾; Chesapeake and Ohio Common, 1½; Lehigh Valley Shares, Norfolk and Western Common, Ontario and Western, Reading Shares, Chicago Rock Island Common, Wabash Common, Bethlehem Steel Common and Royal Dutch Petroleum, 1; Missouri, Kansas and Texas and New York Central, 1½; Southern Pacific Common, 1½; American Smelting and Refining Common, 1¾; New York Gas, 2; General Electric, 3½; National Lead, 2½; General Motors, 1; American Can, 2½; Great Northern Preferred, 1½, and United States Steel Common, 1½.

The Railroad General Lien Bonds advanced ½, and Reading 4 per cent. Mortgage Bonds 2, Missouri, Kansas and Texas 5 per cent. Adjustment Bonds declined ½.

Messrs. Clement and Company estimate the winter wheat condition at 73 per cent., and the yield $15,000,000 bushels.

Railroad earnings for the month of February — Chesapeake and Ohio, gross 3,558,000 dollars, decrease 18,000; net 1,707,000, decrease 102,000.

Baltimore and Ohio, gross 17,410,000 dollars, decrease 1,268,000; net 1,800,000, decrease 1,368,000; net 1,800,000, decrease 221,000.

Lehigh Valley, gross 5,820,000 dollars, decrease 20,000; net 738,000, increase 46,000.

Cash Sugar	Closing Bid Prices. Mar. 26.	Mar. 27.
Exchange on London	4.84½	4.84½
Do. Demand Bills	4.86½	4.86¾
Do. Cables	4.87½	4.87¾
Paris Francs — Montreal	4.79¾	4.79
Exchange Paris rate	4.80	4.79

Exp.	STOCKS	Closing Bid Business Prices. Thurs.	Wed.
Par.			
100	U.S. Rubber	103¾	103¾
100	Do. Santa Fe	110¾	110¾
	Do. Preferred	94	94
100	Baltimore and Ohio	84	84
100	Do. Preferred	142	140¾
100	Canadian Pacific	140¾	140¾
	Chicago Gt. Western	20¾	20¾
100	Chic., Mil., and St. Paul	37¾	38
100	Chicago and N.-Western	87¾	88
	Erie Shares	30¾	30
	Erie 1st Preferred	46¾	46¾
100	Do. Northern Preferred	61	62¾
100	Illinois Central	113¾	113¾
100	Kansas and Texas	24¾	24¾
100	Lehigh Valley	51¾	52
112½	Louisville and Nashville	119	120
100	Missouri, Kan. & Texas	24½	25¼
100	Do. Preferred	46	46
100	Nat. of Mexico 1st Pref.	59	59
100	Do. 2nd Pref.	51¾	51¾
100	N.Y. Cn. & Hudson	110¾	110¾
100	Norfolk and West Com.	138¾	139¼
100	Northern Pacific Com.	61¾	61¾
100	Ontario and Western	21¾	22¼
50	Pennsylvania Shares	40¾	40¾
50	Reading Shares	72¾	73¾
100	Do. Preferred	80	80
100	Southern Railway	23	23¼
100	Southern Pacific	98¾	98¾
100	Texas and Pacific

THE GRAND NATIONAL COURSE.—A striking panoramic photograph, taken from the Grand Stand, showing the Course at Aintree. In the foreground can be seen the Finishing Post and Judge's Box.

EXPORT OF IRISH EGGS.

HOW THE NEW ACT WILL WORK.

TRADE COULD BE DOUBLED.

"There is no reason why the value of eggs and poultry exported from the Irish Free State to Great Britain and Northern Ireland should not be increased to double the present figure of five millions in two or three years."

A leading official of the Ministry of Agriculture made this remark in the course of a discussion on the Agricultural Produce (Eggs) Act with the Agricultural Correspondent of the *Irish Times*.

The Free State poultry and egg trade together, he said, are now about equal to the butter trade, and all three are second only to the live stock industry.

There is virtually no limit to the possible development of the egg trade. Farmers can increase the number of hens kept without being obliged to enlarge their holding, and if all the egg-producers of the country were properly organised into co-operative societies, with arrangements for collecting, grading and packing eggs at convenient centres, many losses at present sustained would be converted into profits, and the industry would advance by leaps and bounds.

No material headway can be made without organisation. First of all, however, poultry-keepers must decide to keep only birds of the right stamp and feed them properly.

THE NEW LEGISLATION.

Legislation has been introduced, under which nobody but a registered exporter can export eggs after 1st August next. To become registered under this Act the applicant must satisfy the Ministry of Agriculture that he is in a position to carry on his business in accordance with the regulations; that his premises are structurally suitable for the purpose; and that he has all the necessary facilities for testing, grading and packing eggs.

Having secured entry on the register of exporters, the trader is in a position to export eggs, provided that the eggs have been tested, graded, and packed in accordance with the Act. The packages must be a standard size, approved by the Department of Agriculture, and the packing material must be of the kind prescribed.

Regulations have been drafted, and will be submitted to a Consultative Committee representing the egg trade. If representative persons are not nominated by the egg trade associations, the Ministry of Agriculture will appoint persons to represent the trade on the Committee.

TRAINING EXPERTS.

Experts are being trained to deal with the technical side of the Act. Twelve selected persons have just completed a course of training, and the Department of Agriculture will appoint a number of these as inspectors under the Act. Their first duty will be to act as assistants to exporters who wish to comply with the provisions of the Act between now and the 1st August. They will visit premises and advise as to their suitability for the trade; they also will hold courses of instruction in the testing, grading, and packing of eggs at local centres, where the employés of exporters may attend for training.

In this way the Department hopes that at least one employé from every exporter's premises will be able to receive a course of training.

A NEW SETTING OF THE PASSION.

DR. CHARLES WOOD'S FINE WORK.

On Wednesday next, at the Church of SS. Philip and James, Booterstown, and on the following Friday, at St. Mary's Church, Donnybrook, a musical setting of the Passion of Our Lord, according to St. Mark, will be sung at 8 o'clock.

The Passion Story is divided into five Gospels, and some of the finest of Christian hymns are interspersed. The musical setting, by Dr. Charles Wood, Professor of Music in the University of Cambridge, is permeated with the atmosphere of Christian devotion, and Dr. Wood's settings of the grand Plainsong melodies, "Pange Lingua" (for one verse of which he has written an exquisite faux bourdon) and "Verbum Superum," are models of their kind, as is his descant to a tune of Tallis, set to St. Francis Xavier's well-known hymn, "O Deus, ego amo Te." The fifth Gospel embodies the traditional Plainsong inflections sung by the Liturgical Singers in the Holy Week Offices, and the portions for the choir are written in the polyphonic idiom of the sixteenth century. Those who have heard his magnificent setting of the music of the Eucharist in the Phrygian mode will know how Dr. Wood re-creates the transcendental atmosphere which characterises the best writing in the technique of this period.

The arrangement of the Sacred Passion illustrates in many ways the curiously abrupt and mournful character of the Holy Week Services, which come down from the earliest period of Christian liturgiology. This setting was sung in Dublin for the first time last year.

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FINISH OF THE LINCOLNSHIRE HANDICAP.—Tapin (Steve Donoghue up) winning the race with ease from Grave Fairy and King Willow.

LATEST LONDON FASHION.—A Straight Coat of heavy Marocain Silk, trimmed with ebony buttons and gray fox fur.

Belgian Team for To-morrow's International Cross-Country Race arriving on the British and Irish steamer at the North Wall yesterday.

CUMANN NA nGAEDHEAL.

ANNUAL CONVENTION TO BE HELD IN MAY.

The annual Convention of the Cumann na nGaedheal, which was postponed from February owing to the urgency of the by-elections, is to be held in the middle of May. The actual date has not yet been fixed by the Standing Committee.

It is stated that the results of the recent elections have had a very stimulating effect, and that many new branches have been formed in the country. The Standing Committee has decided that branches forwarding affiliation fees up to the end of April will be entitled to representation at the coming Convention.

HONORARY DEGREES AT EDINBURGH.

MR. CHESTERTON AS DOCTOR.

The University of Edinburgh will confer honorary degrees upon the following gentlemen at the graduation ceremonial in July:—

Degree of Doctor of Divinity—The Rev. Professor John Du Plessis, Stellenbosch, South Africa; the Rev. John Hall, O.B.E., Edinburgh; the Rev. Kirkwood Hewat, Prestwick; the Rev. William Main, Edinburgh; the Rev. Tissington Tatlow, Secretary of the Students' Christian Movement.

Doctor of Laws—Sir Charles Stuart Addis, Director of the Bank of England; Dr. A. H. Freeland Barbour, Edinburgh; Brigadier-General the Hon. Charles Granville Bruce, chief of the Mount Everest Expedition; Mr. G. K. Chesterton; Professor A. S. Eddington, Cambridge; Sir Alexander Grant, Bart., Edinburgh; Mr. G. J. Lidstone, Edinburgh; Mr. Alexander Miles, surgeon, Edinburgh; Professor Robert Muir, Glasgow; Principal C. G. Robertson, Birmingham; Sir Harold J. Stiles, Professor Emeritus of Clinical Surgery, Edinburgh; Professor Emeritus T. F. Tout, Manchester; and Mr. James Watt, Writer to the Signet, Edinburgh.

PRINCE GEORGE'S RECOVERY.

Prince George, who has remained at Buckingham Palace since the operation for the removal of his tonsils, has made so good recovery. He was out driving yesterday for the first time, and will be among those to bid farewell to the Prince of Wales to-morrow, though it is still doubtful whether the doctors will permit him to go to Portsmouth. Prince George will leave London for the South of France on or about Tuesday next, and he may join the King and Queen for a short cruise.

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PRELIMINARY SCIENTIFIC MEDICAL EXAMINATION.

Physics—Maud Nesbon, Laurence Murray, Reginald Joseph Saunders Doherty, and John Terence Meehan, equal; Michael Edward Kirwan; Chemistry—Robert Andrew Patrick Paul; William Bruce Hamilton, Laurence Murray, and Annie Elizabeth Thompson, equal; George Robert Harvey and Morgan Plunket Adderley, Thomas Brown Mealmaker and Maud Nelson, equal; Eric Warti; Otago.

Botany and Zoology—Diamond George McCauley, Charles Morrison Taylor, Charles Robert Caffry, Lionel Brent Harris, Andrew Matthew Cooper, John Willoughby; Robert Ivan Reid and Kathleen Anderson Wilson, equal; Joseph Ellisman; Thomas Hayes Dockrell and Raymond Thaddeus O'Shea, equal; John Neil Lloyd Rundle; Henry Mostaert George Dorman; Harold Stanislaus Smithwick, Anna Mary Elizabeth McCabe, Denis Jeffares Armstrong, William Astin Ryan; Elizabeth Gladys Graham and Harold Francis Nelligan, equal.

INTERMEDIATE MEDICAL EXAMINATION.

Part 1.—Anatomy, Physiology and Organic Chemistry—Robert Smith, Pedlow Wilson, Arthur Joseph Cyril Fiolliott, John Edward Wells, Harold Edwin Knott, Gordon William Fairclough Pratt, Evan Thomas Malone, Samuel Ernest Hamilton Moore Gamble; Robert Percival Murphy, Samuel Bergin, Eric Saunderson Morrison, Edward John May, Bann.

Part 2.—Applied Anatomy and Applied Physiology—Robert Rowan Woods, Terence John Millin, Thomas Cashel Mulhall Corbet, Wilfred Francis Lane, passed on high marks; Maurice Fitzgerald Nash; Griffin, Sidney Douglas Knox Pedlow; John Latimer English, Edward George Roberts; John Latimer English, Edward George Montgomery, Solomon Bell, David McMurry Carson, and Samuel Robert Elmes, equal; Robert Samuel Fleming Hennessy; Martinus Gert Johannes Booysen and Thomas James O'Reilly, equal; Andrew Cecil Clarke; Charles Ernest Ross Selby MacFarlane, Gilbert Mackay Smith, Gerald Spence Smyth; Christiaan de Wet Meintjes, Nora Winifred Pilgrim, Richard Maclear Moore, Wilfreda Dorothy Brown, Richard Maclear Moore, Alfred Mary Weir, equal; Charles French Picott, and Ethel Mary Weir, equal; George McDonald, Isidore Isaacson; William Frederick Nobel; Jane Mather Saltham, Cecil Frederick Cook and Norman James Urquhart Mather, equal; Paul Michael Garry; Charles Lionel Dey and Edmund Patrick Dey, Early, equal; Samuel Ferguson Hamilton; Alastir Arthur Morgan, John Lancaster Dobbs, Ralph William Freeman Hutton Bernard Joseph Anthony Kevin Plunkett Hilbert Stewart Joseph Anthony Kevin Plunkett Hilbert Stewart Joseph Anthony Sacks and John Hastington Blackwell, equal; Hyman Preston.

FINAL MEDICAL EXAMINATION.

Part 1.—Materia Medica and Therapeutics, Medicine and Hygiene, Pathology and Bacteriology—Robert Allen Louis O'Meara, James Hamilton Woodworth, Michael Sullivan, Robert William Swayne, Thomas James Whitney Keown, Thomas Hamilton McKee, passed on high marks; John Joseph O'Dwyer, Thomas William Moore, Arthur Rowley Brooks, Johan Jacobus Smit Gouws, Mary Hoffman, Dicey, Gardiner Neil, and Kathleen Jeffares Armstrong, equal; Gerald Cosgrave Taylor, Alfred Ellis, Gladys Lilian Craig and Francis Jacobus Roux, equal; Ernest Alexander Cunningham, and Rachel Elizabeth Porter, equal; Jessie Quinlan.

Part 11.—Medicine (M.B.)—Thomas Whitley Moore, passed on high marks; Charles Ernest Garrick Durnford McClintock, William Colin Somerville Jones, Kathleen Dufour Morrison, George Vincent Gilleece, and Edward McAlpine, equal; Wilfred Harpur Anderson and O'Donel Thornley Dadwell Browne, equal; Joseph Richard Gregory, Richard Thomas Cronin, James Dick, and Thomas Cartmel Foster, equal; Paul Nicolaas Harm Labuschagne and William Bernard Roanitree, equal; Frederick Michael Purcell; Norman Meiler Greene and Frederick Johannes Marais, equal; Annie Teresa Deane, Francis Hector McKenna, John Vincent Morris, Peter William Harte, John Cussen, Gordon Paul Bamford; Oliver Chance, William Percival Edwin McIntyre, and Augusta Maud Young, equal; William Gallagher, John Learmonth Livingston, James Lister Marshall, Mary Galvin, Francis Vincent Duke, Christopher Lord-Flood, and John Anthony MacDonnell, equal; Robert Arthur Heather, Jeffreth Horwich, Harry Nelson, and Ahmed Ahmed Shaikh, equal.

Surgery (B.Ch.)—Edward McAlpine, passed on high marks; Roy Knox Carson, William Alexander Redmond, Richard Thomas Cronin, John Anthony MacDonnell, Lewis Cresswell Brough, Eric Thomas Sutherland Rudd, Edward Sydney Atkinson Crawford and Thomas George Brown Crawford, equal; Frederick Michael Purcell and Herbert William Strong, equal; John Moore Johnston; Charles Johannes du Plessis and Edmund Joseph Walsh, equal; John Edge Beatty, John Crawford, Francois Johannes Marais, and Leslie Montgomery Whitsitt, equal; Edward Armstrong Bennet, Raymond James Garnet Hyde, and John George Maguire, equal; Godfrey Walter Garde and William Charles Gorman Potts, equal; Cecil Robert Moore, Herbert Birney; Robert Vincent Franklin and Robert Arthur Healley, equal; Lionel Strasberg.

Midwifery (B.A.O.)—Charles Richard Roland John Frederick Wilde, Robert Lane Forsyth, and Elias Rakoff, passed on high marks; Elspeth Violet Stewart and Francis Hector McKenna, equal; John Everard Stokes; Geoffrey Dixon Edwards and Ahmed Ahmed Shaikh, equal; Maurice Sherrotte, Philip Bernard Robinson; Barend Petrus Pienaar and Margaret Walker Pike, equal; Launcelot William Roe Haskins; Charles Edward McCausland and Wilfred Sinclair, equal; Mary Galvin, Henrietta Armstrong, John Edge Beatty, Wolsey Cornwall Sloan.

Master in Surgery (M.Ch.)—Daniel de Brulin.

Master in Obstetric Science (M.A.O.)—David Johannes Malan.

Intermediate Dental Examination (Anatomy and Physiology)—Andrew Allen Gardner; Robert William Mather and John Hyacinth O'Hare, equal; George Mills Tillerination.

Diploma in Gynæcology and Obstetrics.—Elizabeth Nixon Thompson, M.B. (Edin.).

POTEEN IN WEXFORD.

IMPRISONMENT AND FINE.

James Coady, Corrigeen, Rathnure, was, at Enniscorthy yesterday, sentenced to two months' imprisonment with hard labour, and fined £10, or in default a further two months' imprisonment, for being in possession of an illicit still and poteen. This is the first poteen case to be brought in Co. Wexford for thirty years. The magistrate said that if the defendant had not borne a good character hitherto, he would have inflicted a heavier penalty to check the introduction of the poteen traffic into the county.

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PORT LOANS TO BE CONSOLIDATED.

DEVELOPMENT PLANS.

The Dublin Port and Docks Board has decided to consolidate its loans and to create 5 per cent. stock to an amount not exceeding one million pounds.

At yesterday's meeting of the Board it was arranged that £292,000 of the stock should be issued forthwith at £87 10s. per cent., with payments of £5 on application and £82 10s. on May 14 next, two months' interest to be paid on July 1st, 1925.

Mr. Walter Baird, Chairman of the Board, moved the necessary resolutions. He said that what was proposed in them was the first step to carry out the decision taken some time ago to consolidate the Board's loans. The first resolution created stock for the purpose of gradually converting the existing short term mortgage bonds from time to time as they mature within the next ten years, to the total of some £650,000, and of providing capital for the new works. An immediate issue of £292,000 would produce £255,000. This would be used to replace the sum of £138,070 surplus revenue issued to pay off bonds that had already matured, pending the issue of the stock, and to provide capital for new works—principally the completion of the deep water berthage.

In a report, Messrs. Craig, Gardner and Co. had shown that the average surplus of revenue over a number of years was sufficient to meet the increased charge for interest and sinking fund. They also pointed out that one-half of the two million pounds spent on port works during the past fifty years had been repaid. An outstanding debt of less than one million pounds for the principal port of the Free State was trifling, considering the value of the Board's property. The port was slowly but surely recovering from the effects of the Great War and other causes, and the tonnage of 1924 was back to the pre-war figure.

Mr. William Field said that the security of the principal port in the State was enough to secure support for the issue.

Mr. William Hewat said that it was proposed to spend all the money which it was important to spend now in order to have the port ready to deal with the considerable addition to trade which they hoped would come in the near future. The issue was a matter of national importance, because the people of the Free State were given an opportunity to make Dublin worthy of the position that it occupied as the first port in the State. Subscriptions to the issue would be a vote of confidence in the future of the country. The stock would be issued within the Free State, and those who took it up would be doing a good thing for themselves, as well as helping the Board, and proclaiming their faith in the future.

DUBLIN CIRCUIT COURT.

WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION ACT.

(BEFORE MR. JUSTICE DROMGOOLE, K.C.)

Patrick Lennon, carpenter, 20 Upper Oriel street, claimed compensation for injuries received in falling from a scaffolding when working at East Wall for the respondents, Messrs. W. and L. Crowe, Ltd. At the time the applicant was paid £4 2s. 7d. per week. He was paid compensation from the date of the accident (8th March, 1924) to 17th January, 1925, when the compensation was stopped. Thirty-five shillings a week was now claimed until further order would be made.

The applicant stated, in evidence, that he sustained injuries to his spine, as a result of which he was still unable to work.

After hearing medical evidence, Mr. Justice Dromgoole said that he was satisfied that the applicant was totally incapacitated from working, and made an order for payment of £1 per week from January 17th, 1925 until further order.

Annie Keith, 5 East James's street, was awarded 4s. per week compensation for an injury to two fingers of her right hand when she was employed by Mr. Joseph Cahill, tinsmith, Aungier street, Dublin.

Thomas D. O'Boyle, Claremorris, builder's foreman, was, by consent, awarded £320 compensation for injuries received when employed by Patrick Conway, of Elton Park, Kingstown.

BELFAST LINEN TRADE.

SLIGHT IMPROVEMENTS.

The following is the official report of the Belfast Linen Trade for the fortnight ending 25th March:—The Irish flax markets have been smaller during the past fortnight, and some more districts are showing signs of scutching being finished. Prices remain unchanged. On the Continent there is no change to report.

Latvian Flax.—Very little Schwansburg or Livonian flax has been sold during the past fortnight. The Latvian Government report smaller supplies and still maintain last-named rates. Esthonian Flax.—No movement to comment upon. Soviet Flax.—Consumers continue to hold back and no substantial sales to any quarter have been reported lately.

Yarns.—There is not much of interest to report for the past two weeks. The policy of curtailed production is largely in operation, which meets the action of manufacturers in pursuing the same course. It is an expensive remedy, but prevents the accumulation of stocks in both departments. Prices are somewhat irregular, as, naturally, spinners are slow to allow business, if at all possible, to pass. Enquiries from the home trade are considerably more numerous. Under present conditions it is most probable that the stoppage for Easter will be more prolonged than usual.

Weavers.—Business in the weaving end of the trade has been slightly improved since our last report. Orders have been placed for checks and crashes and other lines of goods. There is still a considerable amount of enquiry about, and manufacturers are hopeful that orders will come along in the course of two or three weeks.

Merchants.—Housekeeping Goods—There is practically no change since last report. Orders are coming in very moderate quantities. Cambrics and Sheers—The effect of the lower prices is not yet experienced. Import orders from U.S.A. are considerably behind normal trade. Dress Linens—A moderate amount of business for white and coloured linens has been placed for various overseas markets, but demand for U.S.A. is slow, and no important orders are reported. All advices from U.S.A. indicate that coloured linens are selling in fair quantities, and likely to continue in favour for coming season. Medium and better grades are preferred to the cheaper qualities.

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Lecturing before the Royal Society of Arts in London, Mr. H. G. Dowling said that there would soon be a public reaction in favour of patterned wallpapers.

The death has occurred of Mrs. Evelyn Fitzwilliam, of Milton Hall, a former Mayoress of Peterborough and the wife of Alderman George Fitzwilliam, owner of the Fitzwilliam Hounds.

Two Royal swans, caught on the Cookham reach of the Thames, have been presented by the King to Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Mrs. Underhill, better known as Mrs. Starr, rescuer of Miss Mollie Ellis, has arrived with her husband and baby from India, and is now at her mother's home near Eastbourne.

GOSSIP FROM THE COURSE.

NATIONAL PROSPECTS.

MR. CLEVER SCORES.

LIVERPOOL SPRING CUP WON BY PADDY.

FROM OUR TRAVELLING CORRESPONDENT.

LIVERPOOL, Thursday Night.

The signs are good for a brilliant Grand National to-morrow. The course is in perfect order; indeed, the going here has never been better. The light this afternoon was as near perfection as possible. Every fence on the course stood out in relief against the sky, and if only the same conditions prevail to-morrow we should have an ideal view of the race. There are no surprising changes to be recorded. Indeed, the only one worth noting is that Fitzgibbon, who has ridden his jim her races in Ireland, replaces Isaac Morgan on Ballinode. The mare is wonderfully well, and went splendidly when Michael Beary rode her in a gallop on the course this morning. She has many good points to recommend her, and she is sure to give a very good account of herself, but these are one or two others in the race that I like better.

One of these is Fly Mask, about whom the Right Hon. T. K. Laidlaw, his trainer, Coulthwaite, and Major Doyle, who will ride him, are more than a little optimistic. I do not think that I have ever found Major Doyle so confident of winning as he is to-night. He has got that winning feeling which is the large part of a battle. The horse is undoubtedly better at this moment than he has ever been. Coulthwaite has not trained him light, as he often does with his National horses, and Fly Mask to-morrow will be found a better and heavier horse than he has ever been.

He is far from being a great chaser, but he has no great chasers to beat to-morrow. Indeed, he has not many who can even be classed as good—that is, from a National standpoint. The good going will be all in favour of Silvo, who is well and greatly fancied. Better conditions will be of immense advantage to this beautiful jumper, but I do not see him beating Fly Mask, who will jump at least as well.

If I were only sure of Old Tay Bridge completing the course without breaking down, I would recommend him as the likely winner. He is a really good 'chaser when he is sound and fit, but it is a very legitimate gamble. Jack Anthony is very keen on his chance, and this jockey won the Stanley Steeplechase this afternoon in all his old and brilliant Liverpool style. Max is well, and Mr. Lusher is hopeful and thinks he has a distinct chance, but it is a long time since we have seen Max do anything of note, and he is a little problematical.

Ardeen is a very taking outsider for those who like this sort of chances. He does jump well, and has some pretensions to stay. Tom Leader fancies Sprig a good deal. He won the Stanley Steeplechase easily last year, but he has not been right at all this winter. His trainer thinks he has got him right now. I have no doubt about his ability to jump the country, but whether he will last over it is another matter. Double Chance is untried at Liverpool, but has good credentials on other courses. The form of all the others is well known. My opinion is that FLY MASK will win, but I must couple him with OLD TAY BRIDGE. I can recommend Ardeen as a good outsider.

MARSTON MOOR'S EASY WIN.

The racing was excellent here this afternoon, and we had a very good race for the Stanley Steeplechase, in which the favourite, Old Times, failed to get into the first three. He looked very like coming up to challenge the leader, Marston Moor, after jumping the last, but I understand that he broke a blood vessel. Uncle Jack broke a leather, and was pulled up early at Valentine's Brook. Jack Anthony sent Marston Moor to the front, and, riding with great confidence, he won easily by four lengths from Aisle. The latter knocked a tremendous gap out of the second last jump, and he must be a remarkably powerful horse not to have come down. He also hit the last obstacle, but I do not think that in any circumstances he would have beaten Marston Moor, who won with any amount in hand, and brought a welcome turn of luck to that good sportsman and splendid supporter of steeplechasing, Mr. W. A. Bankier.

An outsider in Mr. Clever made all the running, and won the Molyneux Stakes easily from Sea Kale and Adel. In the two-year-old seller, where there was a lot of trouble at the post, Harry Beasley was unlucky on Rodeem, and after losing half a dozen lengths, he was only beaten three parts of a length by Knight's Cross.

PADDY WINS THE CUP.

In a most exciting finish for the Liverpool Cup, Lady Bradford's Paddy, who has been running in hurdle races, and was consequently very fit, beat Dinkie by a neck, after the latter had looked as if he was going to win comfortably. What actually happened was that one of Dinkie's legs gave way just before he reached the post, and it is feared that he has broken down. Paddy and Inchcrry had been heading alternately, and when Paddy seemed to have the latter well beaten, Dinkie challenged on the outside, and a great race resulted. Concorde, in the same ownership as Tapin, was fancied, but was never prominent in the race, and Roysteve lost a good place a couple of furlongs from home.

Young P. Beasley had a mount in this race on Tredina, and the mare gave an extraordinary exhibition of buck jumping and fly jumping at the post, in the course of which she put her jockey off no fewer than five times. The boy gave an indomitable exhibition of courage in remounting, which drew enthusiastic cheers from the crowd, and even after she had bolted for half a mile with him, he brought her back, and then made her jump off with the others.

SIR KENNETH SCORES.

Mr. Jack White took the Union Jack Stakes with Sir Kenneth, who gave Donoghue a comfortable winning ride, and beat Gygoe and Linkman comfortably. Dalmagarry ran a little disappointingly, but the best horse in this race was Conquistador, a grand colt, owned by Lord Derby, who is in the classic races, and who was up with the leaders here until he stopped from want of condition a quarter of a mile from home. This fellow may easily be one of the best three-year-olds of the season. He is good-looking enough to win anything.

There is a number of other interesting races to-morrow, as well as the National. The Hylton Handicap will produce a good field of sprinters, including Burnt Sienna, Crimson Dawn, Unexpected and Black Gown. The last-named is fancied, but he may be a bit of a back number now. I choose BURNT SIENNA to win for Lord Derby. KENTISH GLADE may follow up a Lincoln success by taking the Dickerstaffe Plate, while SANTA SAVINA is a likely winner of the West Derby Stakes.

GALTEE MORE.

SPECIAL SELECTIONS FOR TO-DAY.

Westminster Gazette :—Double—Mandelieu and Santa Savina. To-day's best—Santa Savina.

Daily Express :—Double—Black Gown and Kentish Glade. Safety bet—Kentish Glade.

Daily Mirror :—Double—Burnt Sienna and Kentish Glade.

Daily Graphic :—Double — Kentish Glade and Game Shot.

The *Liverpool Post* Racing Correspondent :—Fly Mask, 1; Ballinode, 2; Double Chance, 3.

"Sceptre," in the *Liverpool Post* :—Ballinode, 1; Winnall, 2; Max, 3.

OFFICIAL SCRATCHINGS.

St. Leger Stakes, Doncaster; Ascot Derby Stakes, Hardwicke Stakes, Ascot; Newmarket Stakes and Two Thousand Guineas—Ormonde, at 12.25 a.m. Tuesday.

Grove Park Plate, Warwick—Story Book gelding.

Prince of Wales' Plate, Pontefract—Lady Caravel gelding.

Montagu Hurdle, Wetherby—Sporting Jack.

Bickerstaffe Stakes, Liverpool—Star of Pride.

Blacklow Handicap, Warwick—May-Eve.

SPORTING PARAGRAPHS.

Mr. H. A. Brown, the well-known trainer and amateur rider, is going on as well as can be expected. It is feared that one bone has penetrated the lung. Some congealed blood has yet to be removed.

As at present arranged G. FitzGibbon, who has ridden Ballinode in many of her races, including last year's Grand National, will have the mount on her in to-day's big race. The mare was ridden at exercise yesterday morning by M. Beary.

Through Uncle Jack breaking a leather while taking part in the Stanley Steeplechase at Liverpool yesterday, his rider, L. Rees, was compelled to pull up. It subsequently transpired that Old Times, who finished fourth in the same race, broke a blood vessel.

Jockeys' engagements at Liverpool to-day :—Bridgeman Plate—Sweet Clematis (W. Alford). Heine (J. Childs), Pullin Dancer (J. Diner), Orpi (Thwaites), Cavalier (M. Beary), Confirmation (McLachlan, jun.), Belgian Boy (R. James), Mandelieu (F. Weston), West Derby Stakes—Fitzroy (G. Walsh or Archibald), Carillon (R. Jones), The Stirling Stone (Smirke), the Duenna (Weston), Ormonde (J. and Lane), Hylton Handicap—Burnt Sienna (T. Weston), Francis Joseph (Childs), Black Gown (G. Walsh), Crimson Dawn (Smirke) The Haberdasher (McLachlan, jun.), Back Stair (H. Jellis), Unexpected (Beary), Bickerstaffe Plate—Set Fast (H. Wragg), Kentish Glade (R. Jones), Cimmerian (T. Weston), Knowsley Stakes—Jingle (W. Alford), Lordship (H. Wragg), Tom Tell Troth (T. Weston), Game Shot (F. Dempsey), The Undiscovered (McLachlan, jun.).

LIVERPOOL RESULTS.

1.45—**STANLEY STEEPLECHASE** of 1,000 sovs. Second 150 sovs., third 50 sovs. About 2½ m.

Mr. W. A. Baskier's b. g. MARSTON MOOR, by Iris—Peggy Symons, 6, 11-7 ..... J. Anthony 1
Mr. G. Bibby's AISLE, 5, 11-7 ..... T. Leader 2
Mr. W. Parsonage's MASTER BILLIE, 6, 11-7 ..... D. Turner 3

Capt. A. Gollan's Uncle Jack, 6, 12-3 ..... R. Rees 0
Capt. P. Astley's Stonevale, 8, 11-7 ..... M. Keogh 0
Mr. H. Forester's Phantom Fox, 6, 11-7 ..... R. Daly 0
Mr. W. A. Hanson's Bright Prospect, 9, 11-7 ..... W. Stout 0

Mr. A. E. Kinahan's Sandalwood, 6, 11-7 ..... Owner 0

Mr. C. Taylor's Old Times, 8, 12-3 ..... J. Fitzgerald 0
Mr. C. Beasley's Uncle Jack and Aisle, 7 to 2 each. (Winner trained by Hon. A. Hastings.)

Betting.—"Sporting Life"—2 to 1 agst. Old Times, 6 to 4 each Uncle Jack and Aisle, 7 to 2 Master Billie, 8 to 1 MARSTON MOOR, 100 to 9 any other.

"Sporting Chronicle"—2 to 1 agst. Old Times, 6 to 4 each Uncle Jack and Aisle, 7 to 2 Master Billie, 8 to 1 MARSTON MOOR, 100 to 9 any other.

Uncle Jack was attended by Stonevale, Sandalwood, Aisle and Marston Moor, with Master Billie in the rear. Aisle was second at the first fence, but Jack broke a leather and was pulled up. Approaching Becher's, Phantom Fox refused, Sandalwood fell, and Stonevale, but was joined at Valentine's by Marston Moor, who quickly drew away, and, stalling off the challenge of Aisle two fences from home, won by four lengths. Aisle, who made the one fourth separated second and third. Old Times was fourth and Sandalwood fifth. Bright Prospect was the only other finisher.

2.15—**THURSBY SELLING PLATE** of 200 sovs. Two-year-old. Second saves entrance from the plate. 5 f.

Mr. F. Jarvis's b. c. KNIGHT'S CROSS, by Ballinode—Silene, 8-10 ..... H. Jellies 1
Mr. G. Murray's RODEEN, 8-6 ..... M. Beasley 2
Mr. J. Jardine's ORIENT, 8-10 ..... Owner 3

Also ran—Lifter (R. James), Ticket (J. Childs), Fire Fire (M. Randall), Puppet (M. Beary), Princess Lisa (Bentley), Cut Off (Dempsey). Won by three-parts of a length; half a length. Princess Lisa was fourth and Fire Fire last.

The winner was bought in for 320 guineas.

2.45—**MOLYNEUX STAKES** of 10 sovs. each, with 500 sovs. added. Two years old. Second 50 sovs. from the stakes. 5 f.

Mr. W. Murray's b. c. MR. CLEVER, by Sunstar—Wife of Bath, 8-10 ..... J. Bullock 1
Mr. A. E. McKinlay's SEA KALE, 8-10 ..... A. Balding 2

Lord Lascelles's ADEL, 8-10 ..... J. Childs 3
Lady Edgar's St. Marceaux, 8-10 ..... J. Smirke 0
Mr. D. Fraser's Cressida, 8-10 ..... M. Beary 0
Mr. J. L. Jarvis's Fitzhardinge, 8-10 C. Elliott 0
Mr. Sol Joel's Northerndale, 8-10 ..... H. Wragg 0
Mr. T. K. Laidlaw's Gum Dragon, 8-10 ..... W. McLachlan, jun. 0

Lord Londonderry's Gwydir, 8-10 ..... J. Childs 0
Mr. R. F. Prichard's Bay Friar, 8-10 F. Winter 0
Lord Allendale's Stephanie, 8-5 ..... H. Jellies 0
Mr. S. W. Beer's Lotus Flower, 8-5 ..... H. Leach 0
Col. Lendrum's Ephemeral Lily, 8-5 ..... H. Leach 0
Mrs. S. Whitburn's Cytgale, 8-5 ..... H. Jones 0
Mr. Jas. White's Queen of the Fens, 8-5 ..... S. Donoghue 0

Off at 2.34. (Winner trained by Waltt) Betting.—"Sporting Life"—11 to 4 agst. Fitzhardinge, 4 to 1 Bay Friar, 6 to 1 each Gwydir and Cytgale, 8 to 1 each St. Marceaux and Sea Kale, 10 to 1 Adel, 100 to 6 MR. CLEVER or any other.

After a breakaway Mr. Clever, on the extreme right, raced in front of Cressida, on the left, Fitzhardinge in the centre, Cytgale on the rails, Sea Kale on the left, Queen of the Fens on the right, Adel in the centre and Gwydir in the centre, with St. Marceaux heading the others. A quarter of a mile from home Sea Kale and Adel improved their positions, but neither could make any impression on Mr. Clever, who led from start to finish and won by three lengths; one length separated second and third, Gwydir was fourth, Queen of the Fens fifth, St. Marceaux sixth, Knightcross seventh, Stephanie eighth, Ephemeral fifty-ninth, Bay Friar tenth, Gum Dragon eleventh, Fitzhardinge twelfth, and Lotus Flower last.

3.30—**LIVERPOOL SPRING CUP**, a handicap plate of 1,000 sovs. 50 sovs. in plate or specie, at option of winner. Second 100 sovs., third 50 sovs. 1 m. 5 f. 170 yds.

Lady Bradford's b. c. PADDY, by Golden Sun—Shanogue, 4, 8-3 ..... C. Elliott 1
Mrs. J. Jeffreys's b. c. DINKIE, by Pommern—Rosedale, 5, 9-3 ..... G. Richards 2
Mr. Reid Walker's b. g. INCHCRRY, by Invincible—Harlime, 5, 7-0 ..... W. Parris 3
Mr. Jas. White's Cloudbank, 4, 8-8 ..... M. Beary 0
M. A. Ruxayn's Concorde III., 5, 8-7 ..... S. Donoghue 0
Mr. Sol Joel's Fodder, 6, 8-5 ..... H. Wragg 0
Lord Durham's Roysteve, 4, 8-3 ..... T. Weston 0
Mrs. J. H. C. Bartholomew's Tredina, 5, 8-0 ..... P. Beasley 0

Sir W. Cooke's Star of Gold, 4, 7-13. R. James 0
A. Lee's Linkman, 4, 8-4. (Winner trained by J. E. M. Bell.)

Betting.—"Sporting Life"—7 to 2 each agst. PADDY and Roysteve, 5 to 1 Concorde III., 7 to 1 each Cloudbank and Dinkie, 100 to 8 each Star of Gold and Linkman, 33 to 1 Fodder, 100 to 1 Tredina.

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Tredina, who unseated her jockey two times, and bolted even early, set the pace to Cloudbank, Paddy, Roysteve, Fodder, Inchcrry and Concorde III., with Linkman, Star of Gold and Dinkie next. Roysteve raced into the lead, and rounded the Anchor turn just clear of Royster, Cloudbank, Inchcrry, Concorde III. and Dinkie. Entering the straight Roysteve weakened, Inchcrry going on second in front of Dinkie and Cloudbank. A quarter of a mile from home Inchcrry, headed Paddy, who, however, regained command at the distance, and, resisting the challenge of Dinkie, Lady Bradford's horse won an exciting race by a neck; three lengths separated second and third, Roysteve was fourth, Cloudbank fifth, Concorde III. sixth, Star of Gold seventh, and Tredina tailed off. Time—2 min. 22 4-5 sec.

Draw for Places.—No. 1 (inside), Fodder; 2, Star of Gold; 3, Cloudbank; 4, Paddy; 5, Concorde III.; 6 Dinkie; 7, Tredina; 8, Roysteve; 9, Inchcrry.

3.50—**LYDIATE SELLING WELTER HANDICAP** PLATE of 300 sovs. Second saves entry. 1 m. 6 f.

Mr. Frame's ch. m. CHILD OF THE HILLS, by Wingrave Child, 5, 9-4 ..... J. Dines 1
Mr. J. Baylis's MORO, 5, 7-9 ..... D. Bonham 2
Mr. G. Poole's PLAYFUL, 5, 9-2 ..... Beasley 3

Also ran—Bredia (G. Walsh), Pot o' Cream (M. Beary), Nice One (D. Gordon), Reading (C. Elliott), Mistikin's Pride (J. Thwaites), Grange Lane (S. Donoghue), L.T. (J. Gillett). Off at 3.55. (Winner trained by Kitlalee.)

Betting.—"Sporting Life"—9 to 4 agst. CHILD OF THE HILLS, 5 to 1 Bredia, 6 to 1 Moro, 6 to 1 Playful, 10 to 1 any other.

"Sporting Chronicle"—6 to 4 agst. CHILD OF THE HILLS, 3 to 1 Bredia, 6 to 1 Moro, 6 to 1 Playful, 10 to 1, any other.

Won by six lengths; half a length. Reading was fourth, and Grange Lane last.

The winner was bought in for 320 gns.

4.30—**UNION JACK STAKES** of 30 sovs. each, with 500 sovs. added. Second 80 sovs., and third 30 sovs. from stakes. (Three years old.) 1 m.

Mr. J. White's b. c. SIR KENNETH, by Gay Crusader—Pinkers, 9-10 ..... S. Donoghue 1
Mr. J. A. de Rothschild's GYGES, 8-13 A. Lane 2
Mr. A. de Rothschild's LINKMAN, 7-12 ..... R. Bergman 3

Mr. Sol Joel's The Monk, 7-12 ..... H. Wragg 0
Lord Sefton's By Law, 7-6 ..... W. McLachlan, jun. 0
Lord Derby's Conquistador, 8-10 ..... T. Weston 0
Mr. V. T. Thompson's Dalmagarry, 8-10 ..... F. Beary 0

Off at 4.24. (Winner trained by L. Ward.) Betting.—"Sporting Life"—100 to 30 agst. SIR KENNETH, 9 to 2 Gyges, 5 to 1 each Linkman and The Monk, 6 to 1 Dalmagarry, 7 to 1 Conquistador, 20 to 1 By Law.

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TO-DAY'S SELECTIONS.

THE GRAND NATIONAL.

Upwards of thirty-four runners are expected to go to the post for the Grand National to-day, and, as luck plays a very important part in this race, it is with no great degree of confidence that one settles down to the task of endeavouring to find the winner. The following is a list of the

PROBABLE STARTERS AND JOCKEYS.

SILVO (Sir Edward Hulse), b. g. by Master True, 9, 11-7 (Whitaker) ..... F. B. Rees.
ALCAZAR (Mr. W. McAlpine), b. g. by Verne—Good Gracious, 8, 12-0 (Whitaker) ..... Mr. C. Ridley.
MUSIC HALL (Mr. F. Kershaw), b. g. by Clifton Ball—Molly, 12, 12-0 (Anthony) ..... Stubbs.
OLD TAY BRIDGE (Mr. W. H. Dixon), ch. g. by Bridge of Earn—Broken Reed, 11, 11-13 (F. Hartigan) ..... J. Anthony.
FLY MASK (Mr. T. K. Laidlaw), b. g. by Fly Fisher, dam by Bergamask, 9, 11-11 (Coulthwaite) ..... C. Doyle.
SERGEANT MURPHY (Mr. S. Sanford), ch. g. by General Symons—Rose Croft, 13, 11-7 (Beasley) ..... Mr. Escott.
BALLINODE (Mr. C. J. Bentley), ch. m. by Machaon—Celia, 9, 11-6 (F. Morgan) ..... Fitzgibbon.
MAX (Mrs. Cruth), br. g. by Eric—Bauble, 9, 11-5 (Dicker) ..... J. Hogan, jun.
WHITE SURREY (Admiral Sir W. H. Henderson), g. by Mabel—Dejeuner, 13, 11-4 (Gore) ..... M. Tighe.
BEN CRUCHAN (Mr. W. H. Whitbread), ch. g. by Ben Alder—Scotch Plaster, 12, 11-3 (R. Bennett) ..... Owner.
ARDEEN (Sir Keith Fraser), br. g. by Kilcock—Prunes, 8, 11-3 (Owner) ..... A. Lushes.
SPRIG (Mrs. M. Partridge), ch. g. by Marco—Lady Iza, 8, 11-3 (T. Leader) ..... T. Leader.
ARRAVILLE (Mr. C. E. Baron), b. g. by Ardoon—Lady Iza, 10, 11-0 (G. Archer) ..... Mr. Mosley.
WINNALL (Mr. H. Liddell), b. g. by Footlight—Clarton, 8, 11-0 (Woodland) ..... F. Gurney.
THE SLEEKA (Mr. M. V. McKevitt), br. g. by Arden—Windward's Pride, 8, 10-13 (Gore) ..... Mr. R. Rees.
PATSEY (Mr. H. Lennon), ch. g. by Lord Gayrath, dam by Valasquite, 13, 10-12 (Green) ..... Owner.
AMMOSITE (Mr. W. Wood), ch. g. by Copperman—Flippetty, 6, 10-10 (Bunney) ..... F. Trollope.
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	Age. st. lb.
HAINE (Mr. Sykes) ..... Cole	4 9 0
POLISH PATRIOT (Mrs. Frame) Killalee	5 8 8
NORTH WALTHAM (Mr. navill) ..... Law	4 8 3
ORT (Mr. R. Bailey) ..... Owner	5 8 1
CAVALIER (Mrs. E. Lloyd) ..... Anthony	4 8 0
CONFIRMATION (Mr Cohen) ....Tabor	5 7 13
MANDELIEU (Lt. Derbyshire) ..... Owner	5 7 10
DESULTUR (Mr. Cunningham) McCall	4 7 9
ORMADA (Mr. Lees-Milne) ..... Powell	4 7 9
HIGH PRINCE (Ld. Rosebery) G. Jarvis	5 7 7
SWEET CLEMATIS (Sir L. Gwen) ..... Renwick	6 7 6
TUDOR KING (Mr. Courtauld) Law	5 7-4
BELGIAN BOY (Mr. Oppenheim) ..... Barthropp	6 7 1
FOREIGN LEGION (Mr. Whitaker) ..... Owner	4 6 13
GABRIELLE (Mr. Harvie) ...G. Poole	5 6 10

(The above have arrived.)

BAALGLICH (Mr. H. Mollett) Veasey	5 7 12
MERRY MINER (Mr. Milnes) ...E. Doyle	4 7 11
JERPONT (Mr. J. J. Barry) (10lb. ex.)	
ARGO (Ld. Londesborough) Coulthwaite	6 7 9
KINNAIRD (Mr. R. Platt) F. Hartigan	8 7 8
KYLARA (Mrs. E. Renwick) ..... Renwick	5 7 8
MAH-JONG (Mr. J. Baylis) ..Sheddon	4 7 3
BARCROO (Mr. G. Irwin) ..... Smallwood	4 7 3
BAIRPIR II (Mr. Sunday) .....Owner	4 7 3
SUBDUER (Capt. French Davies) Gilbert	4 7 0
WEATHERTIDE (Mrs. Scott) A. Scott	4 7 0
NANNY COOK (Mr. A. Scott) ..... Owner	4 6 11
BUFFOON (Mr. Bartholomew) .....Jones	4 6 9
LOUVIMA (Mr. A. Stringer) .....Roberts	4 6 3

2.0—WEST DERBY STAKES of £2 each, with £300 added. For three-year-olds that at closing have not won 350 sovs. at one time, or 600 sovs. collectively. 6 f.

	st. lb.
FITZ ROY (Capt. G. C. H. Davy)...Beatty	9 0
CARLTON (Mrs. S. Whitburn) .....Cottrill	9 0
THE SLIDING SCALE (Lady Edgar) ..... C. Davis	8 11
ARIADNE (Mr. F. Gretton) ..... Morgan	8 11
HESSBOROUGH (Mr. Lysaght) ...R. Jarvis	8 7
OAK RIDGE (Mr. T. F. Ryan) ..... Perse	8 7
THE DUENNA (Lord Derby) ..... Lambton	8 3
SANTA SAVINA (Mr. A. de Rothschild) ..... J. Watson	8 3
BYLAW (Lord Sefton) ..... R. Day	8 3
PARANA (Lord Sefton) ..... R. Day	8 3

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INSTEP (Mr. Reid Walker) ..... C. Doyle	9 0
SUNNY RECORD (Maj. Morrison) Perse	8 12
RED CARDINAL (Capt. Hoskins) ..... Sherwood	8 7
NIGEL (Lord Rosebery) ..... Jarvis	8 11
JAILER (Mr. F. Clark) ..... Private	8 7
BULL'S EYE (Mrs. E. Clayton) J. Cannon	8 7
CONSTELLATION (Lady Cunliffe-Owen) ..... G. A. Bell	8 7
PURPLE CLOUD (Mr. Davidson) ...McCall	8 7
GRAND MARINER (Lord Glanely) Darling	8 7
OCEAN ROVER (Lord Lonsdale) Templeman	8 7
SILVER IDOL (Maj. Farr) ..... Persse	8 7
BROTH OF A BOY (Duke of Portland) ..... F. Darling	8 7
DIAGRAM (Mr. T. F. Ryan) ..... Persse	8 7
ORBILIUS (Sir S. Scott) ..... S. Darling	8 7
MISS VOLTA (Mr. J. Kellet) ..... H. Escott	8 7
TIGNON POINT (Mr. Whitbern) .....Cottrill	8 7
GALTEE CAVE, f., by Hainault (Lord Wolverton) ..... Lambton	8 3
POLO (Mr. Sol Joel) ..... Earl	8 3
SILVER MUSE (Lt.-Col. E. Johnson) Owner	8 3
PRETTY MAID (Mr. J. J. Maher) Behan	8 3
THE MOANER (Capt. L. Montague) Hastigan	8 3
SHERBET (Mr. A. de Rothschild) J. Watson	8 3
THRODORA (Mr. R. W. Tilley) ..... Rizzo	8 3

3.0—GRAND NATIONAL STEEPLECHASE (handicap) of £100 each, £50 ft. or £5 only if decl. by February 3, with £5,000, including a trophy value £300. Second, £700; third, £400, and fourth, £150. 4 m. 856 yds.

The trainer of the winner will receive a cup value 50 sovs., and the rider of the winner will receive a cup value 25 sovs.

(FOR PROBABLE STARTERS AND JOCKEYS SEE TO-DAY'S SELECTIONS.)

3.45—WYLTON HANDICAP of £1,000. Second £100, third £50. 6 f.

	Age st lb.
BURNT SIENNA (Lord Derby) Lambton	6 9 0
FRANCIS JOSEPH (Mr. Field) ..... Boyd-Rochfort	7 9 13
BLACK GOWN (Capt. G. C. H. Davy) ..... Beatty	7 9 11
CRIMSON DAWN (Mr. C. A. Cowle) ..... C. Davis	6 8 12
THE HABERDASHER (Mr. Sandeman) ..... Elsey	8 11
BACK STAIR (Lord Allendale) ..... R. Jarvis	4 8 9
UNEXPECTED (Mr. F. Hartigan) Owner	5 8 6
TOM TELL TROTH (Ld. Derby) Lambton	4 7 12
WOODEND (M

WEIGHTS.

CITY AND SUBURBAN AND JUBILEE.

NOTES ON THE ALLOTMENTS

With Tapin such a facile winner of the Lincolnshire Handicap, following Sir Galahad III. last year, and Massine in the Ascot Gold Cup, a regular French invasion of our race-courses in search of the big prizes, handicap and otherwise, may be confidently looked forward to, and in this connection it is interesting to note the imposts allotted "our visitors" in the "City" and Jubilee, Pharos—9st. 7lb.—heads the list with 7lb. more than he carried with no distinction last year in the mud, with the Cambridgeshire winner, Twelve Pointer, 2lb. below, and Parth, Sansovino, and Tapin all on the 9st. mark.

Tapin will very probably have annexed the Newbury Spring Cup ere Epsom is reached, and it is to Grillemont and Irismond, of the foreigners, that the most attention is attracted. They are both trained by one of the most able trainers in France, George Bartholomew, at Maisons, Lafitte, and it is an open secret that business is strictly meant if the weights are reasonable. And reasonable they are—in fact, it appears as if the handicapper had made another mistake in letting in Irismond at 8st. 6lb. The son of Irish Lad—Desmond Lassie is regarded as one of the best of the four-year-olds in France, and it must be remembered that he ran sixth in our St. Leger and fourth in the French Derby, beating Tapin well.

Ulula, last year's winner, does not appear, but Verdict, who was second, is in with 2lb. less, and Greek Bachelor, who was third, has 8lb. less. A good many people will be on the look-out for Pande at 6st. 7lb., and another of the bottom weights who has won over the course, and is just as likely as some of the "heads" to upset our friends from over the Channel, is Peter Pax at 6st. 6lb.

In the Jubilee, Irismond is on the same mark as Tom Pinch, with 8st. 11lb., and Grillemont, at 8st. 5lb., is 1lb. less than the St. Leger winner, Salmon Trout, and 4lb. less than Sansovino and Tapin. Parth, who won last year, has dropped 3lb. to 8st. 11lb., and Verdict, who was second, 4lb. to 8st. 7lb. Diophon, Bright Knight, and Polyphontes are all at the same mark as Grillemont. Cockpit, an Esher Cup winner, looks fairly leniently treated with 6st. 13lb., but it may surprise a good many people to see Waygood and Priory Park, the Chichester Derby candidate, on the 7st. 1lb. mark together. If there was anything in the stories circulated about Brownside before he was beaten in his Lincolnshire trial he might make a stir with only 6st. 5lb., if a boy can be got to ride him at that weight.

In the Great Metropolitan, Daimyo catches the eye at 7st. 13lb., last year's winner, Kwannon, having gone up 1st. to 7st. 8lb. Many of the good hurdlers are entered, and the acceptances will be awaited with great interest. There will be two acceptances for the "Jubilee," the first on March 31, and the second on April 28. The acceptances for the "City" and the "Metropolitan" are due on March 31.

EPSOM MEETING.

TUESDAY, APRIL 21.

GREAT METROPOLITAN STAKES (handicap) of 2 sovs each, 7 sovs, extra if not struck out by Tuesday, March 31st, and 5 sovs. more for starters, with £500 sovs. added. For three years old and upwards. About two miles and a quarter.

	Age.	st.	lb.		Age.	st.	lb.
Light Dragoon	4	9	0	The Villager	4	6	12
Eastern Monarch	5	8	9	Sinnatus	5	6	11
	6	8	8	Forfeetown	4	6	10
Jazz Band	4	8	8	Issue	4	6	10
Staff Gown	5	8	5	Vionnet	4	6	10
Sharpeye	4	8	3	Virginius	4	6	10
Cloudbank	4	8	3	Bracks	4	6	10
Jort	6	8	2	Purple Image	4	6	10
Delmar	5	8	2	North Bucks	4	6	9
Crinforen	4	7	13	New Hope	4	6	9
Harpenden	5	7	13	Improdence	4	6	7
Bellamy	4	7	13	Hodsha	4	6	7
Labaders	4	7	13	Pantagruel II.	6	6	7
Portflight	5	7	12	Rockville	4	6	7
Polaxel	4	7	12	Polaxel	4	6	7
Creeve	4	7	10	On the Somme	4	6	6
Bodsham	6	7	8	Harrisal	4	6	6
Mark Marfien	4	7	8	Emphasis	4	6	6
Kwannon	5	7	8	Mad Nic	4	6	5
Royal Archer	4	7	7	Southern Flight	6	6	3
Right Ho	5	7	7	Peecadillo	4	6	2
Seacraft	6	7	2	Dark David	4	6	2
Zarepe	4	7	1	Judith O'Malley	5	6	2
Border Ranger	5	7	1	Brown Bat (Mr. J. Hanrahan)	5	6	0
Brimstone	4	7	0	Mister Black	5	6	0
Vic's Choice	5	7	0	Prince Sadim	8	6	0
Irish Molly	4	6	13	L.L.	4	6	0
Vaudeville	5	6	13	Phemius	4	6	0

Kelrin and Rol Rouge drawn.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 22.

CITY AND SUBURBAN HANDICAP, a Sweepstakes of 3 sovs each, 7 sovs, extra if not struck out by Tuesday, March 31st, and 15 sovs. more for starters, with 1,000 sovs. added. For three years old and upwards. The second to receive 500 sovs, and the third 100 sovs, out of the stakes. About one mile and a quarter.

	Age.	st.	lb.		Age.	st.	lb.
Pharos	5	9	7	Ragout	5	7	6
Twelve Pointer	5	9	5	Black Sheep	4	7	5
Parth	5	9	0	Pasha	4	7	5
Sansovino	4	9	0	Cockpit	4	7	5
Tapin	4	9	0	All Green	4	7	4
Polyphontes	4	8	13	Mignanite	4	7	4
Bright Knight	4	8	10	Philatros	4	7	4
Grillemont	5	8	9	Invercaul	5	6	13
Cafarel	4	8	8	Rucks Yeoman	4	6	13
Coxdover	6	8	7	Waygood	5	6	12
Irismond	4	8	6	Greek Bachelor	5	6	10
Light Dragoon	4	8	4	Grand Joy	4	6	8
Obliterate	4	8	1	Henry the Seventh	4	6	8
Mr. Bliss	4	8	1	Brownside	4	6	8
Insight II.	4	8	0	Pande	4	6	7
Tom Ronge	6	8	0	Brimstone	4	6	6
Evander	5	8	0	Darragh	5	6	6
D'Orsay	5	7	13	Twelve Pax	4	6	6
Caramond	4	7	12	Invermark	4	6	6
Arcade	4	7	11	Heleby	4	6	5
Green Fire	4	7	10	Flint Stone	4	6	5
Cloudbank	4	7	9	Mardi Gras	5	6	4
Torchbearer II.	4	7	8	Azincourt	5	6	1
Despatch	4	7	8	Maddemoiselle M.	4	6	0
Concorde III.	5	7	7	Fair Charlotte	4	6	0
Great Barrier	4	7	6	Almeci	4	6	0
Churchtown and General Post drawn.				Zena	4	6	0

HURST PARK MEETING.

SATURDAY, MAY 2.

THE VICTORIA CUP, a handicap plate of 2,000 sovs. A Gold Cup value 350 sovs., or specie, at the option of the winner, and 1,500 sovs. to winner, 150 sovs. to second, 75 sovs. to third, and 25 sovs. to fourth. Seven furlongs.

	Age.	st.	lb.		Age.	st.	lb.
Pharos	5	9	5	Purple Shade	4	7	2
Tapin	4	9	13	Karl	4	7	2
Hophead	4	8	8	Stanhope	4	7	2
Bright Knight	4	8	8	Magnanite	4	7	2
Cafarel	4	8	6	Torfiorita	5	7	13
Pondoland	6	8	5	Arbelain	4	7	0
Coxdover	6	8	5	Helinster	5	7	0
Tom Pinch	4	8	4	Leyton	4	6	13
Hevercraft	4	8	3	Gracious Gift	4	6	13
Diomedes	5	8	0	Westmead	6	6	12
Golden Hope II.	4	7	13	Sunny Rose	4	6	12
Dawson City	4	7	12	Woodend	4	6	12
Despatch	4	7	8	Tour de Force	4	6	12
Green Fire	4	7	7	Fleet-Chord	4	6	11
Beresford	4	7	7	Vicot	5	6	11
Jarvie	5	7	7	Tranquilette	4	6	10
Iramio	4	7	6	Mother's Son	4	6	9
Phalaton	5	7	5	Pande	4	6	9
Time	5	7	3	Amethystine	4	6	8
Black Sheep	4	7	3	Brimstone	4	6	6
Sunsfont	4	7	5	John Denis	4	6	6
Donzelon	4	7	5	St. Gironette	5	6	6
Insight II.	4	7	4	Abbey Island	5	6	5
Harpist	4	7	4	Amunoteh	6	6	4
Perhaps So	4	7	4	Mardi Gras	5	6	3
Priory Park	5	7	3	Creolian	4	6	3
Snap Snap	4	7	2	Sky Signal	5	6	3
All Green	4	7	2	Ponsan	4	6	1
Burnt Sienna	5	7	2	Sopron	4	6	0
Defiance	4	7	2	Silver Chaffle	4	6	0
Blue Lake drawn.				Almeci	4	6	0

KEMPTON PARK MEETING.

SATURDAY, MAY 9.

KEMPTON PARK GREAT JUBILEE HANDICAP, a plate of 5,000 sovs. (2,800 sovs. in specie and 200 sovs. in plate or specie, at the option of the winner). Second 300 sovs, and third 100 sovs, out of the plate. One mile and a quarter.

	Age.	st.	lb.		Age.	st.	lb.
Pharos	5	9	2	Donzelon	4	7	3
Twelve Pointer	5	9	2	Insight II.	4	7	3
Parth	5	8	11	Concorde III.	5	7	2
Tapin	4	8	9	Stratheros	4	7	2
Sansovino	4	8	7	Philatros	3	7	2
Verdict	5	8	7	Russism	4	7	2
Salmon Trout	4	8	7	Waygood	5	7	1
Grillemont	5	8	5	Priory Park	3	7	1
Diophon	4	8	5	Defiance	4	7	0
Bright Knight	4	8	5	Pasha	4	7	0
Polyphontes	4	8	4	Purple Shade	4	7	0
Caravel	4	8	4	Cockpit	4	6	13
Coxdover	6	8	2	Karl	4	6	13
Irismond	4	8	2	Arbelain	4	6	12
Tom Pinch	4	8	1	Treize	4	6	11
Irismond	4	8	1	Bucks Yeoman	4	6	11
Caramond	4	7	13	Grand Joy	4	6	10
Evander	5	7	13	Tranquilette	4	6	8
D'Orsay	5	7	11	Amethystine	4	6	8
Watford	4	7	10	Comus	4	6	6
Marvex	5	7	8	Henry the Seventh	4	6	6
Shambles	4	7	8	Brownside	4	6	5
Obliterate	4	7	7	Brimstone	4	6	4
Cloudbank	4	7	7	Arzanthe	4	6	3
Jarvie	5	7	7	Phyrelle	3	6	1
Green Fire	4	7	4	Sopron	4	6	0
Blue Pete	4	7	4				
Great Barrier	4	7	3				

Blue Lake drawn.

ANGLING.

SHANNON-CASTLECONNELL.

The river has fallen rapidly during the week, and now stands at a much lower mark. Weather very cold, with showers of hail, rain and snow, very cold, with showers of hail, rain and snow. On Newgarden the fishermen killed one salmon, 11lb.; General Cotty one 24lb. On Prospect Mr. F. C. Hamilton two, 25, 30lb.; Capt. A. Maude one, 32lb. On Doonass the fishermen one, 26lb. On Woodlands the fishermen one, 26lb. Miss Cotty one, 20lb. On The Castle Mr. S. O'Mara five, 13, 14, 19, 20, 30lb. On the Worldsend Cast. Trench one, 15lb.

POINT-TO-POINT.

THE ISLAND HUNT.

Favoured with fine weather, the Island Hunt Point-to-Point Races were held on Wednesday at Clough, near Gorey. Details:—

MEMBERS' RACE. About 3½ m.

Mr. T. J. Roche's DUST.....Mr. Hickey 1
Mrs. M. J. Westropp-Dawson's RUTH ROCHE.....Mr. Stamp 2
Captain A. K. Godfree's THE DOCTOR...Owner 3
Also ran—Garryowen (Owner), X-Ray (Mr. Smith), Springmount (Owner), Miss Cheerio (Owner).

OPEN RED COAT RACE. About 3½ m.

Rev. T. F. Cordell's COLLEEN.....B. Hickey 1
Mr. C. H. Reade's ROBERT.....J. Robinson 2
Mr. W. Lett's THE LEECH.....R. Ryan 3
Also ran—Woodranger (Owner), Perhaps (Mr. Burgess), The Lions (H. Meige).

OPEN RACE. About 3½ m.

Mrs. A. L. Fenton's AIRMAN.....E. Duckett 1
Mr. E. Hammond's ARTHUR.....B. Quigley 2
Mr. J. Power's DUSKY NATTY.....J. Finn 3
Also ran—The Harrow (F. Robinson), Little Fella (M. Comerford), Sunshine (W. Moore), Major Bryan's Lady (—).

FARMERS' RACE (Confined). About 3 m.

Miss T. Mullett's HUMILITY...M. A. Furlong 1
Mr. F. Roche's THE FOLLY.....Owner 2
Mr. J. R. Scrain's MEDICAL HALL.....Owner 3
Also ran—Rory (Owner), Passedena (J. Gahan), Pretty Polly (Owner), Avondale (Owner), Icumsay (Owner), Genlis Annie (F. Robinson), Miss Fanny (J. Morton), Chance (H. Pate).

KILKENNY HUNT.

The Kilkenny Hunt Point-to-Point Races were held at Gaulstown yesterday under ideal weather conditions, and were a splendid success. There was a huge attendance present, and large fields were out:—

HUNT RACE.

Miss Diana Bell's BALLINACURRA LASS
Capt. J. Barry 1
Dr. J. G. O'Brien's ROCKVIEW
Mr. W. McSkerry 2
Lady Helen McCalmont's SONG AND DANCE
Mr. John Alexander 3

HEAVY-WEIGHT FARMERS' RACE.

Mr. W. Heffernan's TIPPERARY BOY
Mr. J. Neill 1
Mr. A. Hodgins's LAUGHTON'S LASS
Mr. Wm. Hodgins 2
Mrs. Hutchinson's OUTCOME...Mr. Denis Grace 3

LADIES' OPEN RACE.

Miss Murdock's LAST DANCE.....Owner 1
Miss Alexander's SUNNY RAY.....Owner 2

OPEN RACE.

Lady Helen McCalmont's BRUREE
Mr. Alexander 1
Mrs. Hutchinson's WILD NYMPH
Miss Murdock 2
Mr. D. Walshe's MULLINAVAT.....Capt. Barry 3

LIGHT-WEIGHT FARMERS' RACE.

Mr. E. Hogan's BARNA'S BEAUTY
Mr. David Hogan 1
Mr. P. F. Joyce's STRAWBERRY
Mr. John English 2
Mr. D. Grace's WILD ROGUE...Mr. D. Grace 3

COUNTY LIMERICK HUNT.

Favoured by fine weather, a most successful Point-to-Point Meeting, under the auspices of the County Limerick Hunt, was held yesterday over a splendid course near Kilmallock. A feature of the excellent sport was the finish for the Light-Weight Hunt Race, in which Miss Tudor, the only lady riding in the race, on Soliway, beat Mr. F. Wise, on Supplicate, and Mr. R. O'Connell, on Scholar Jack. Harrier, who had to shoulder 12st., got up a fine performance in the Heavy-Weight Race, in the hands of Mr. R. O'Connell, and Mrs. R. G. Phillips steered Busybody to victory in the Ladies' Race. Details:—

GREENHALL CHALLENGE CUP, value £100.

Mr. J. O'Brien's HARRIER, 15-0
Mr. J. M. Goodbody's MAH JONG, 14-0...Owner 2
Dr. L. Humphrey's REBEL, 14-0.....Owner 3
Also ran—Mr. P. J. Cagney's Johnny, 14-0 (Mr. J. Fennell); Miss M. Bunch's Mount Blakeney, 14-7 (Mr. V. Hederman); Mr. W. Ryan's Caherquoyle, 14-0 (Mr. J. C. Ryan); Mr. R. W. Hilliard's Paddy, 14-0 (Mr. George Kelly).

Won by three lengths; same.

BROWNING CHALLENGE CUP, value £100, and £50 added. Second receives £30 and third £20. A light-weight hunt race.

Miss M. R. Eliard's SAILAWAY, 12-7...Miss Tudor 1
Mr. F. Wise's SUPPLICATE, 12-7.....Owner 2
Mr. J. O'Dwyer's SCHOLAR JACK, 13-7
Mr. R. O'Connell 3

Also ran—Mr. E. Lysaght's Wonder, 13-0 (Owner); Mr. W. Dwyer's Biby, 13-7 (Owner); Mr. C. J. MacDonald's Flitag, 13-7 (Mr. G. Stanley); Mr. T. Considine's Burna, 12-7 (Owner); Mr. R. Flannery's Albert, 12-7 (Mr. F. Albert).

Won a great race by half a length; one length.

HARTNETT CHALLENGE CUP, value £50, presented by Mr. J. W. Hartnett, with a replica. Weights—13st. 7lb. each. Lady riders. About 3 m.

Miss Handley's BUSYBODY...Mrs. R. G. Phillips 1
Miss M. R. Eliard's SARSFIELD...Miss Tudor 2
Mrs. F. P. O'Sullivan's ARTFUL DAN...Miss Lyons 3
Also ran—Mrs. G. Sharpe Bolster's Moosehawk (Miss Muriel Sharpe Bolster), Mr. D. W. Hartnett's Pallas (Miss Flide).

Won easily by two lengths; a bad third.

CLERY CHALLENGE CUP, value £50, presented by Mr. Mark J. Clery, with £20 added, of which the second receives £5 and the third £2. Weights—12st. 7lb. each. About 3½ m.

Mr. J. S. Shepherd's (M.F.H.) RED CAP
Mr. W. Sherlock 1
Mr J. Roche's ALANNAH.....Mr. G. Smith 2
Mr. Smith's DOLLY.....Mr. John Smith 3
Also ran—Mr. Eagleby's Soldier Boy (Owner), Captain Meloney's Snow Shoe (Mr. R. O'Connell), Mr. J. O'Dwyer's Ardoon Lass (Mr. T. Irvin), Mrs. Creedon's Rhyme (Mr. D. O'Sharpe), Mr. C. V. Macdonnell's Brown Bat (Mr. J. Hanrahan), Mr. De Sales La Terriere's (M.F.H.) Glengarnock (Owner).

Won by half a length; a bad third.

FARMERS' AND TRADERS' RACE. Weights for age. Winners extra.

Mr. D. J. O'Connell's GRANGE LASS, 12-0
Mr. R. O'Connell 1
Mr. M. W. Clery's R.G.R., 11-4...Mr. J. Mooney 2
Mr. M. Mitchell's MANBY GIRL, 12-7
Mr. E. Connelly 3

Six ran. Won by two lengths.

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LONDON BETTING—YESTERDAY.

At the Beaufort Club's call over last evening on the Grand National there was, as I anticipated, a lengthening in the price of Jim Mask. Opening at 15 to 1, the favourite was backed to win upwards of £7,000, and closed easy on 16 to 1 to mark. Sailor was backed to win upwards of £8,000 from 17 to 2 to 8 to 1. Hollinode opened and closed at a 100 to 8, after being supported to win about £6,000. Old Tay Bridge was well backed at 16 to 1, and closed 100 to 7, after being befriended to win about £7,000. Double Chance was easy at 50 to 1. Drifter was the best backed horse at the call-over, being supported to win upwards of £10,000. Opening wagers of 1,000 to 25 were followed by several bets at intermediate rates down to 22 to 1. Max also was a very saleable commodity at the same rate. Gracious Gift was backed to win almost £6,000. Parsley was befriended to win upwards of £6,000 at 25 to 1. Thrown In was comparatively easy at the same rate. Nothing else calls for special mention. Details:—

GRAND NATIONAL.

(Run to-day. Distance about 4 m. 856 yds.)		
6 to 1	Fly Mask (t. and o.).	
8 to 1	Silvo (t. and o.).	
8 to 1	Ballinode (t. and o.).	
100 to 8	Old Tay Bridge (t. and o.).	
100 to 7	Double Chance (t. and o.).	
20 to 1	Max (t. and o.).	
22 to 1	Drifter (t. and o.).	
22 to 1	Gracious Gift (t. and o.).	
25 to 1	Thrown In (t. and o.).	
28 to 1	Keep Cool (t. and o.).	
33 to 1	Fatsey V. (t. and o.).	
33 to 1	Sergeant Murphy (t. and o.).	
33 to 1	Ardeen (t. and o.).	
33 to 1	Penceed (t. and o.).	
40 to 1	Peter the Piper (t. and o.).	
40 to 1	Ben Cruchan (t. and o.).	
40 to 1	Ballymacrory (o.).	
40 to 1	Alcazar (o.).	
50 to 1	His Luck (t. and o.).	
50 to 1	Sprig (t. and o.).	
50 to 1	Taffyties (o.).	
50 to 1	Ammonoit (o.).	
50 to 1	The Bleeks (o.).	
50 to 1	All White (o.).	
50 to 1	Arravale (o.).	
50 to 1	Jack Horner (o.).	
66 to 1	James Pigg (t. and o.).	
66 to 1	White Surrey (o.).	
66 to 1	Music Hall (o.).	
66 to 1	Gardenrath (o.).	
100 to 1	Dwarf of the Forest (o.).	
100 to 1	Mainsail (o.).	
100 to 1	Cryptical (o.).	

NIGHT BETTING.

100 to 15	Fly Mask (t. and o.).
17 to 2	Silvo (t. and o.).
100 to 8	Hollinode (t. and o.).
100 to 7	Old Tay Bridge (t. and o.).
20 to 1	Max (t. and o.).
22 to 1	Gracious Gift (t. and o.).
22 to 1	Double Chance (t. and o.).
25 to 1	Drifter (t. and o.).
25 to 1	Fatsey V. (t. and o.).
28 to 1	Thrown In (t. and o.).
28 to 1	Winnall (t. and o.).
33 to 1	Keep Cool (t. and o.).
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HOCKEY.

TO-DAY'S FIXTURES.

Old College: B v. Maids of the Mountain, Milltown, 5.15 p.m.
Dublin University: Maids of the Mountain 2nd v. Donnybrook, 5.15 p.m.

CROSS-COUNTRY RUNNING.

INTERNATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

AT BALDOYLE TO-MORROW.

Arrangements are now complete for to-morrow's International Cross-Country Championship, in which the representatives of Belgium, England, Scotland, Wales and the home country will compete. The National Athletic and Cycling Association has overlooked nothing that could contribute to the success of the first international fixture held under their auspices.

The four visiting teams have already arrived, fit and well. As most decisive winners last year, the English selection naturally attract most interest. If they are all as full of running as their captain, Corporal Cottrell (who easily retained his Army title on Tuesday), the prospects of an addition to the long list of victories standing to England's credit cannot be over-rated. Scottish opposition is certain to be formidable, and as three of the Welsh team figured prominently in the English National, the possibility of forward running by the Cambrians cannot be lightly dismissed. The Belgians, in the absence of collateral form, are somewhat in the nature of dark horses.

And what of Ireland's chances? Irish confidence and hopes for the individual distinction are centred upon the Tullycan Champion, J. J. Ryan, whose collapse when leading to the last stretch at Newcastle-on-Tyne last year was as dramatic as it was heartbreaking. Sufficient training has been accounted for that failure within reach of victory. He is now stronger and fitter than ever, and fortified with invaluable experience gained at Perth and during the Antrim last August. Many capable of judging cannot anticipate his defeat, and with every promise of the superb inertia of his great rival, Cottrell, their optimism seems well founded.

Extra services of trains and trams are being run in connection with the race. The trains from Amiens street will include specials at 2.5, 2.30 and 3.6, returning at 5.15, 5.34 and 6. Special trams will run from the Pillar from 1.30 on, and the reserved cars for teams and officials leave Lower Abbey street corner at 1.30 p.m.

To-night a reception will be given to the members of the International Cross-Country Federation at 6.30 in Clery's Restaurant, and the Executive will meet to-morrow at 11 a.m. in Jury's Hotel.

The proceedings at Baldoyle to-morrow will be opened by a parade of the competing nations led by the D.M.P. band at 2.15, and the race will be started at 3.30 by the Right Hon. the Lord Mayor, Alderman Laurence O'Neill. A reception will be given to the competitors and national officials at Clery's Restaurant on Saturday at 6.30, when the presentation of the Lumley Challenge Shield and other trophies will take place.

The teams are:—

Wales—J. H. Bruning (capt.), Crom. R., E. J. Edwards, Newport H.; T. Gwyn Spoiles (Cardiff) H.; E. D. Hammond, Newport H.; W. Lamberti, Roath (Cardiff) H.; E. E. Lyshon, Newport H.; D. J. E. Richards, Newport H.; A. Stabler, Aberdare H.; S. Thomas, Newport H.

England—W. H. Cottrell (capt.), Royal Corps of Sigs. A.C.; E. Harper, Sale H.; J. Hilsdenley, Birchfield H.; J. E. Alfanti, South London H.; H. Beverley, Barlestown Viaduct A.C.; A. F. Price, Hunts. H.; W. Nelson, Salford H.; J. Bowler, Hallamshire H.; A. H. Rodney, Birchfield H.

Scotland—D. McL. Wright, Shettleston H.; Jas. Mitchell, Maxwhite H.; Robert Miller, Maxwhite H.; A. T. McMorran, Garscube H.; R. B. McAlary, West of Scotland H.; Thomas Whiston, Dundee Thistle H.; W. Nelson, Manchester A.C. and W.S.H.; James Wilson, Surrey A.C. and G.G.H.; James Girran, Garscube H.

Ireland—J. J. Ryan (capt.), Tipperary A.C.; S. Ferris, Uxbridge H.; H. Bingham, Clonliffe H.; G. Magan, D.M.P. A.C.; W. T. Ahern, Mount Nugent; D. Court, Dromore H.; J. Cassidy, Donore H.; R. G. Walker, Clonliffe H.; G. N. Walker, Clonliffe H.

Belgium—Alfred de Fleurquin, Jean Corbiscon, Georges Van den Broele, Paul Van Steenlandt, Pierre Derom, Georges Bertrand, Louis de Lathouwer, Georges de Bruyn, Rafael Gravina.

RUGBY.

PRESENTATION TO IRISH INTERNATIONALS.

Two members of the Irish Rugby XV., who hail from Tetcastle—Messrs. Eugene Davy and Robert Flood—were entertained to dinner and presented with silver cigarette cases, by a number of followers of the Rugby game from Tetcastle, at the Hotel McCarthy, Harcourt street, on Wednesday.

Mr. D. J. Nugent, M.P.S.I., who presided, in proposing the toast of "Our Guests," said that he had known Mr. Flood and Mr. Davy for many years, and could say that two straighter runners and two straighter fellows never went upon the Rugby field. Tetcastle was justly proud of its two International players, and no sportsman would ever be ashamed of Ireland while they could produce in a small district like their's, two such sterling men as their guests.

Rev. Father Frewen, C.C., Terenure, on behalf of those present, presented Messrs. Davy and Flood with silver cigarette cases, suitably inscribed, to signalise the first occasion on which they represented Ireland on the International field.

SCHOOLS' INTERPROVINCIAL—TRIAL.

PROBABLES (44) v. POSSIBLES (0).

The Schools' Inter-provincial trial match, played yesterday at Lansdowne road, resulted in a very decisive win for the Probables by 4 goals and 8 tries (44 points) to nil. As the score implies, it was a very one-sided match. There was only one side in it from start to finish, and that side was the Probables, who predominated the play in every department.

After the game had been started three minutes, Lightfoot scored a try, from which no goal resulted. A few minutes afterwards Conaty scored, the place-kick also being unconverted. Probables still continued to have the better of the play, and Hobbs and Dunne scored tries, both of which were converted by Nolan.

The second half was much more one-sided than the first period, despite the fact that Benson, the Blackrock full, had changed place with his vis-à-vis Egan, still continued to have a very safe pair of hands. Tighe, Dunne, Nolan, Arigho, Crowe, Kettle and McAvoy, and the extra points were added on two occasions by Crowe and Kettle.

Probables—4 goals 8 tries (44 points).
Possibles—Nil.

The teams were:—

Probables—Full-back—J. C. Benson; three-quarters—Wings, Greally (Clongowes) and Lightfoot (Castleknock); centres, Crowe (Blackrock) and Arigho (Castleknock); Halves—Reilly and Keogh (Castleknock). Forwards—Nowlan (Mountjoy), Mattin (Wesley), Tighe (Belvedere), Meagher (Castleknock), Dunne (Blackrock), Meagher (Castleknock), Synge (Columba's).

Possibles—Full-back—Egan (Clongowes). Three-quarters—Wings, Aylward (Mountjoy) and Gilligan (Clongowes); centres, Smith (Blackrock) and Lambert (Mountjoy). Halves—Kettle and Fennell (Belvedere). Forwards—Treacy (Clongowes), Dunne, Kerrison, Nash (Mountjoy), Crean (Belvedere), Andrews, Keaney (Blackrock), Gunning (C.B.S.).

Referee—Mr. C. P. Stuart.

THE LEINSTER SCHOOLS' TEAM.

At the conclusion of the trial game the following were selected to represent Leinster Schools v. Ulster Schools at Lansdowne road next Wednesday. The match is in aid of the relatives of the late Tom Magee, and it is expected that there will be a great attendance. The flourishing state of schools' football in Dublin at present is due in a great measure to the exertions of Mr. Magee, who, both in his capacity as referee and organiser of Cup games, was—

R. Lorring (St. Andrew's), J. Greally (Clongowes), M. Crowe (Blackrock), J. Arigho (Castleknock), E. Lightfoot (Castleknock); J. Dunne, (Castleknock), R. Keogh (Castleknock); L. Dunne, (Blackrock), N. McAuley, H. Tighe (Belvedere), F. Meagher (Castleknock), J. Nowlan (Mountjoy), — Synge (St. Columba's), H. Kettle (Wesley).

THE JUNIOR CUP—FINAL.

The Junior Cup Final, arranged for to-day, will not be played until Tuesday next at 4 p.m. at Lansdowne road.

JUNIOR SCHOOLS' CUP—FINAL.

The final of the Junior Schools' Cup, between Blackrock College and Belvedere College, will be played on Tuesday next at Lansdowne road, starting at 4 p.m.

GOLF.

GRANGE—To-morrow, final of monthly medals; arrange opponents.

HERMITAGE (Ladies' Branch)—March 31st, 18 holes v. bogey, for prize presented by Mrs. Coady. Draw, 11.30, 1.30, and 2.30 o'clock.

ROBIN HOOD—Sweepstakes, 18 holes v. bogey. Draws from 2.30 p.m. to-morrow.

SKERRIES—Saturday, monthly medal. April 4th, foursome competition. Prizes presented by the club.

MALAHIDE—Ladies' Branch—The first round for the cup presented by Miss Thornhill was played on Monday, when the following qualified:—Mrs. Mackinlay (18), 86; Leslie Cousins (17), 87; Miss Story (28), 86; Miss F. Powell (28), 86; Miss K. Curran (27), 99; Miss Mooney (33), 99. Miss F. Second qualifies—Mrs. Nicholson (28), 79; Miss F. Powell (28), 82; Mrs. Crosbie (17), 96. Final round—Mrs. McMahon (28), 84, winner. Miss F. Powell (28), 87; Mrs. L. Crosbie (17), 92.

LUCAN (Ladies' Branch)—Result of stroke competition for prize presented by Miss C. Hamilton and Mrs. Hannan (21), 84; Mrs. Weld (25), 90. April 1st, Dodsleon Cup, 18 holes, match play. Entries close on March 26th.

PORTMARNOCK—The March medals will be played for to-morrow.

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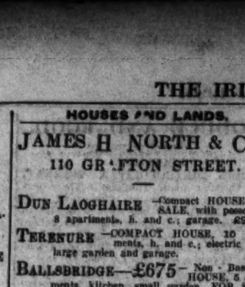

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